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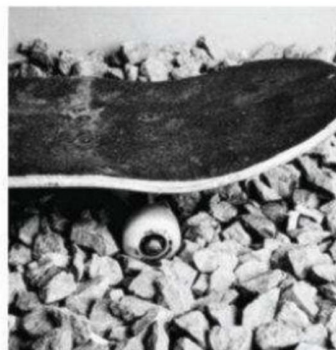


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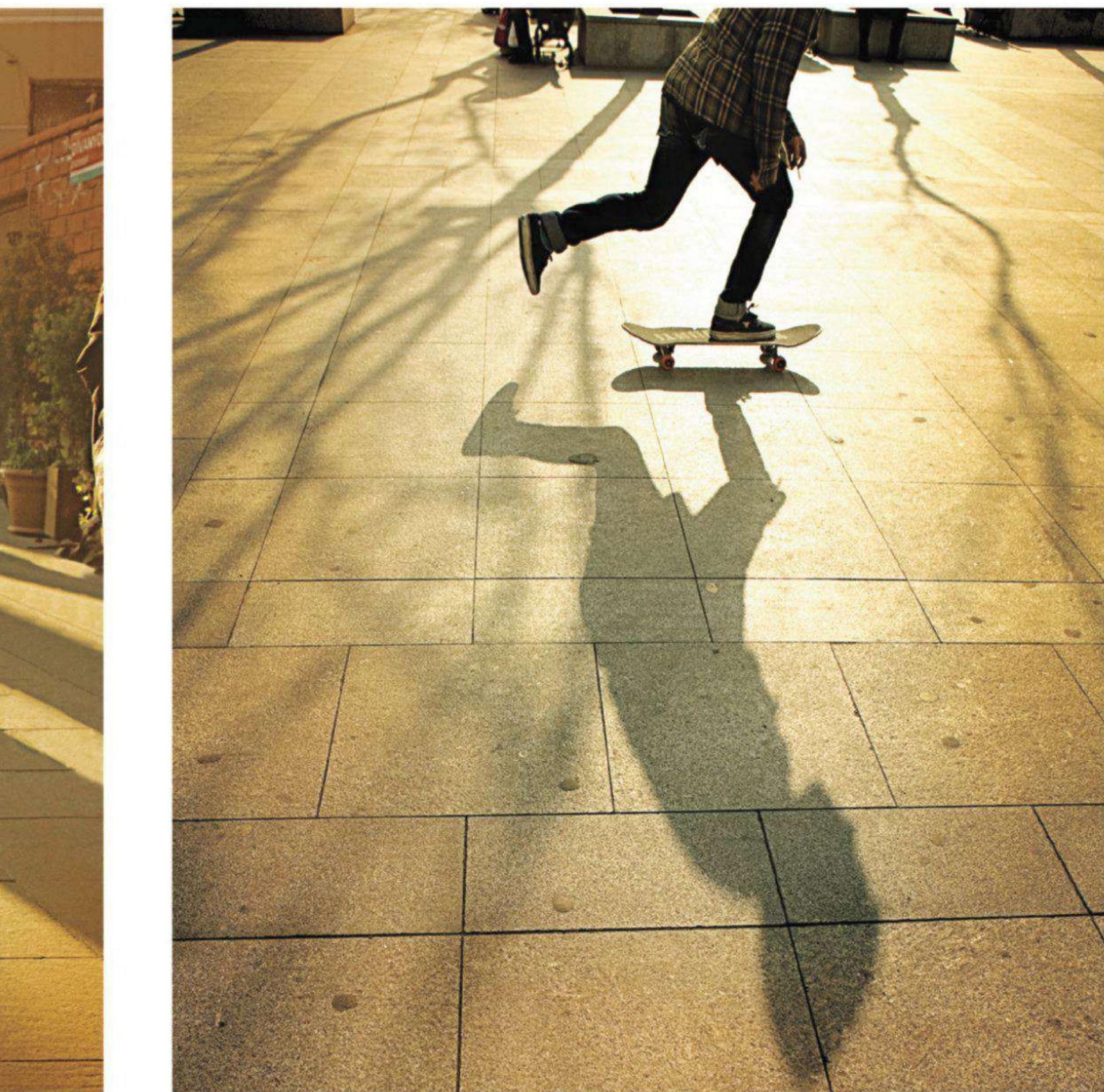
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Road Less Traveled

A DOCUMENTARY FILM BY FALLEN FOOTWEAR

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Our office
fridge has
never been
known for being
particularly
fragrant, but
this month it
got so smelly
we had to take
action.

Both Becca "Pictureface" Naen and Alex Sim-Wise are sadly leaving us after this issue. Awww.

We saw a copyright-infringing fuck nicking our pictures in front of a shop called Copyright-Free. It was like real-life irony.

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Mike and Steve went to the X Games in Tignes (see P36), where it turns out if you get really tired snowboarding then drink lots of vodka, you get ill.

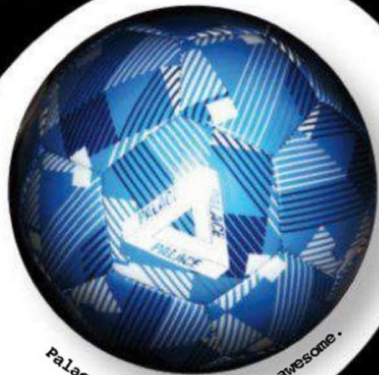


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We made a shoe. Did you make a shoe? We did. See P20 for info.

to HMS FRONT

GUTEN TAG, READERS!

Welcome to another spectacular issue of FRONT. The sun is sort-of out at the moment, and winter can get fucking fucked in its stoopid ass, so we're excited. 2012's gonna get better and better. The fuck the world ends this year. Eat shit, Mayans.

Unfortunately, the sad cloud in this silver lining is that this issue contains the last of our pal Alex Sim-Wise's Wise Words columns. After 65 issues she's retiring. She's going out with a bang though – check out her shoot in the next issue. And it's not "goodbye", it's "see you down the pub soon".

It's a hell of an issue, so here's some bits you could miss:

- DIY Alt Girl Belle is watching Jeremy Kyle (page 58).
 - Cancer Bats have a friendly waving crocodile (page 136).
 - The triumphant return of our favourite semi-joke, semi-real band Scrotonic Discharge (page 75).
 - A man with a brain for a head (page 35).
 - The most photorealistic rollercoaster ever (page 40).
- Fun times. Plus there's two of the fittest women in the world cavorting near a hedge. You don't get that in Gardener's fuckin' World magazine. Enjoy this teddy-humpin', dream-harnessin', ash-tokin' issue.

GOD BLESS FRONT AND ALL WHO SAIL IN HER

PARTY HARD

THE FRONT MANIFESTO

FRONT IS AN INDEPENDENT MAG
 FRONT champions the lil' guy and sticks two fingers up at the big fucking man. Fuck you, big guy!

FRONT FEATURES NO FAKE BOOBS
 Not on men, not on women, not on dogs – no siree, you'll find no counterfeit bosoms within these pages.

FRONT HEARS YOUR PAIN
 FRONT is your magazine. Like something? Tell us. Hate something? Fuck you! Haha, kidding! x



Sometimes it's fun to get a band that have sold 3.5 million albums and make them queue up in an alley and swear at you (see P42).



Our bezzie mate Andrew W.K. popped in (see P96). His enthusiasm is infectious – look at Adam's happiness.

YOUR LETTERS

RANTS AND RAVES
FROM OUR BULGING SACK

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGED

This is not a tragic attempt to brown nose your pert behinds, but not only are you funny bastards, you have now inspired a student bum. I've been searching for motivation to get me off Facebook games and porn and get this dissertation nailed, and I have it. I want to get a badass degree so I can get a cool as fuck job, all so I can bag a woman like Hannah or Lucy from issue 166. Their pictures are on my wall and giving me relentless motivation, as well as the occasional rock on.

■ Oli, via e-mail

Kind of get what you're saying, Oli. What you're saying is, you're going to work really hard, get yourself a date with Hannah or Lucy, then invite them back to your house where they're going to freak the shit out at their faces being plastered all over your walls like some serial killer's den?



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LETTERS WIN PRIZES

The mouth from which this month's finest jibbering is muttered will be dampened with a deliciously brilliant case of Tuborg's finest.



FLIPPING OUT

Hey FRONT, I'm flicking through issue 166, get to page 14 and my jaw hits the floor. Holy butt-fucking Moses, is Rebecca Bone sexy? Yes she is, it was rhetorical. I slowly make my way to page 19 and she's now upside down? What's the fucking point in that? I know it's awesome as shit but I'm definitely gonna have to turn the fucking mag upside down to appreciate it fully. Just seems daft. Great mag, assholes!

■ **Jamie Rowson, via e-mail**

Hey Jamie! Great to hear from you! The turny-upside-downy picture of Rebecca actually holds a secret message, much like playing The Beatles' Abbey Road record backwards and hearing a recipe for chicken soup from Satan. Flip the mag, and you'll see her rib tattoo actually reads "shut your damn mouth, Jamie Rowson". Happy flipping, you filthy animal!



WEDDING BELLEND

Hi FRONT, I was wondering whether you might be interested in sponsoring my wedding?

■ **Chris, via Facebook**

Hi Chris, despite Facebook telling us we've got a friend in common, we don't think we can afford that. However, for a mere £3.90 and a pair of scissors, you can turn an issue of FRONT into the sexiest confetti in the world. Merry wedding!



BELGIAN WAFFLE

Me and some mates are making the trip to Belgium for the second year running to see the best festival in Europe, Groezrock!

Last year we were too fucked up to meet the lovely FRONT ladies but think that might change this year. On our trip we have a designated driver who doesn't drink. Any chance you could sort out his addiction to energy drinks by supplying the skinny bitch with a few tins?

■ **Stu The Jew, via e-mail**

Long answer, Stu? You missed out last year if you sat in a stinky tent instead of meeting the Arabella and Lora Leigh. Lucky for you, they're back and bringing the party to FRONT's very own Friday night Groezrock takeover. Short answer, Stu? Get fucked. See ya there, butthead!



ARTY FARTY MOANY MOANY

You bastards, who just happen to be the makers of the world's most awesome magazine, have created a problem for me with your web store. Is there any chance of the Arabella Drummond by Godmachine print being sold again?

■ **Tom Walton, via e-mail**

Yo Tom, when we said 'limited run', we only bloody meant it, didn't we? You know the old saying: You Snooze You something something. Go check theartoffront.com for all the remaining prints. There's some total killers in there, you bastard!

FAQ'S

YOUR BURNING QUESTIONS ANSWERED

ICE CREAM SPECIAL

Q WHY IS THERE A LIGHT IN MY FRIDGE BUT NOT MY FREEZER?

A Unless you've got a posh freezer, odds are it's not got a light in it. Why? We asked our friend Adam, a freezer repair man and cold-things expert. "Odds are it's because of exploding" he says. "Old-fashioned bulbs get really hot when they're on, and if their temperature suddenly plummets they'll blow the fuck up. I assume it just seemed too expensive to fit shatterproof ones, and it just became standard that freezers were dark. If you're eating ice-cream in a pitch-dark room, you've probably got more important things to worry about anyway."



Q WHY DOES EATING ICE CREAM MAKE MY BRAIN HURT?

A We've all been there – you get overexcited with a Calippo and become convinced you're having a fatal aneurysm. Brain freeze, known by doctors as "sphenopalatine ganglioneuralgia", is caused by the blood vessels in the roof of your mouth contracting then expanding again, which the nearby trigeminal nerve interprets as pain in the forehead. The cure for it is either to drink warm liquid while it's going on, or eat your food a bit slower you greedy fucking pig.



FRONT READER WE SALUTE YOU

NICOLA BARNETT, CHESTERFIELD

"It's my boyfriend Ben's birthday coming up, and seeing as he never misses an issue, a picture of me in your mag would be awesome," says cheapskate girlfriend Nicola. Listen Nicola, Ben

definitely wants more than a picture of your face. Probably a fry up, a PS3 and booze? But seeing as you're showing some cocky stinginess, which we kinda like, here it is anyway.



READERS' SHIT

YOUR FACES & ARTY WORKS



BEAT THIS

RAISING THE BAR

Here's a bar me and my flatmates built in your honour. Definite Readers' Shit winner, right?

Tom 'Tit' Barclay, Ryan Holden and Sam Sapstead via e-mail
Goddamn fucking excellent!

We're genuinely stoked that we have our own bar. Let us pop up and we'll smash champagne over it to declare it open, then smash every other bottle you have over it in the ensuing bar fight!

MATE, REBEL 8 GONNA HATE

Hi FRONT, could you print my drawings of Mellisa Clarke?

Andreea Niculae from Worcester.

We'll print it just so Rebel 8's lawyers can see your ripoffs and sue yo' ass. Don't worry, we'll visit you in prison. Nah, not really!

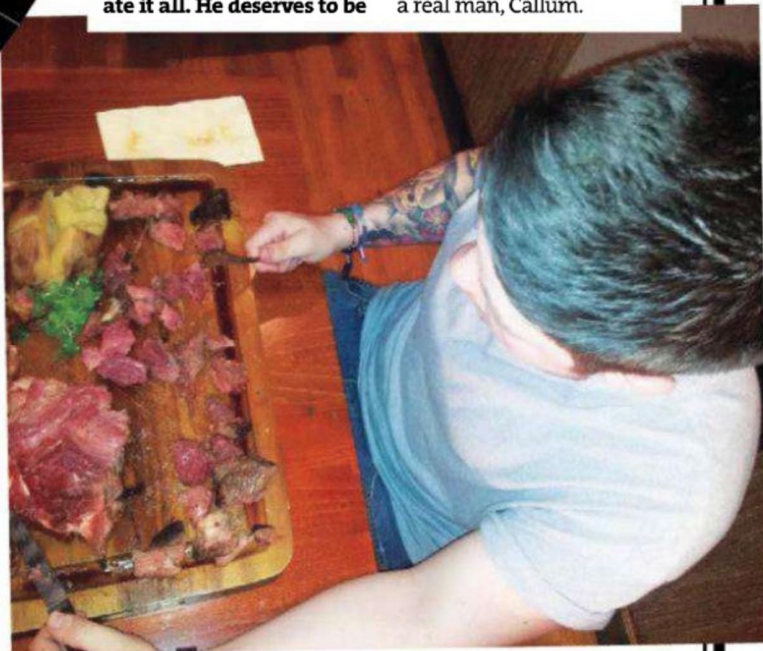


MEAT GOBBLER

Here's a photo of my housemate Callum nailing a Steak Challenge, which is a 72oz steak in one hour. He was up against an absolute heifer, and we thought Callum would lose. The fat guy threw up everywhere and Callum ate it all. He deserves to be

printed for eating a huge hunk of cow.

Ashton Lewsey, via e-mail
Good work Callum, but not good enough. If you were a real meat eater, you'd have seen your tubby opponent's beefy sick as a delicious cow milkshake and slurped that shiz up. Then you'd be a real man, Callum.



NOUGHT TO SEXY IN NEVER EVER

I've used your magazine to pimp up the FRONT of my car, AKA Das Bonnet.

Mike Archer, e-mail
We must have missed the Pimp My Ride when Xzibit donned a hi-vis jacket and stuck recycled mags on some loser's Civic. At least the cops get a read as they bend your ass over your car for drink driving.

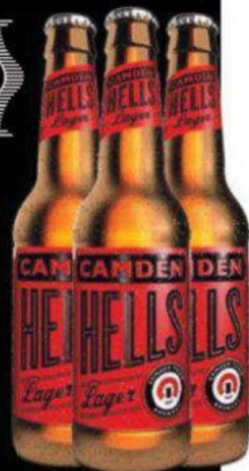


LETTERS WIN PRIZES

- A picture of you.
- A picture of you being an idiot-head.
- Your sexy artwork.
- A picture of you cupping your smelly genitalia.
- Anything else you think we'd like (please not your genitalia).

NEXT MONTH YOU COULD WIN

A delicious stash of Camden Town Brewery Hells lager to get your creative juices flowing.





COMING SOON

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MATE IN A STATE

DESTROYING FRIENDSHIPS SINCE 1998

BEAT
THIS

RING OF FIRE

"As festival times are fast approaching, I thought this would rekindle some fond memories. This guy has a lit fag coming out of his arse." So **Simon King**, you pulled this guy's shorts down and gently inserted a cigarette into his puckering anus? Did you like it? Imagine if he farted, it would fall in that man's eagerly-awaiting gobble and he'd probably get poo in his mouth, urr. Well done, your idiocy wins you stuff!

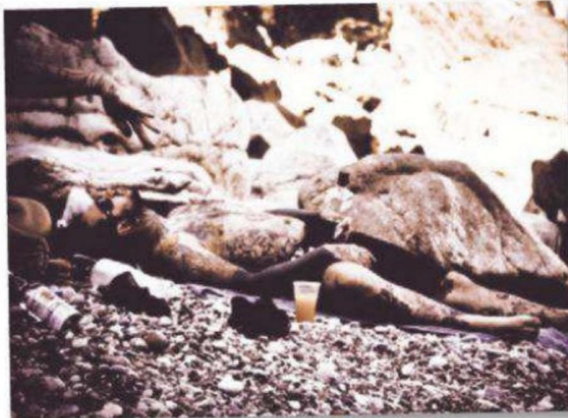




FOAM ALONE

"I fell asleep while everyone was still partying – schoolboy error!" Wheyyy, schoolboy error **Dan Slown**, lol! Sooo. You definitely didn't like, do this to yourself, did

you Dan? Chucked a bit of shaving foam on the old noggin, got an empty tinnie out the recycling, drew a little goatee...? You're not like, horribly lonely are you Dan? Dan??



BEACHED ALE

What an artsy photo of a dead merman, **Jonathan Pullin**. You can really tell you're living life 2 da max FTW with all the tattoos and the JD and the cup of custard and everything like that. Lovely lighting, too, good job your model's got those cool dude shades to protect his eyes from your awesomeness.

A REAL STEADY HAND

MIAS victim **Michael Green** says, "These were taken at my work induction. I didn't realise drunken Buckaroo was on the cards". And drunken Trivial Pursuit, that must've been bloody mental! Hey Michael, do you know if when you turn the lights off, if that t-shirt looks like a real skellington's ribcage is just like, floating about?



EVANS SENT

Here is a man called **Tom Evans**, showing off his designer boxer shorts, gnarly yet sensitive owl tattoo (girls love owls) and unshaven face. And seeing as he's

provided absolutely no explanation as to how this event occurred, we'll have to come to our own sordid conclusions. WELL... hang on, our nana's got those bedclothes!



TRUE BROMANCE

Snapper **Daniel Thomas** says, "Coming home early from a night out deserves severe punishment. This is me and my mate, nakedly straddling our passed-out friend. Hope you enjoy." Yeah, cheers mate, we always do enjoy a bit of nonconsensual naked-bloke-arse-to-face action, obviously. Why are you doing this? Just draw some cat whiskers on him or something, FFS.

NEXT MONTH WIN THIS

Do you like drinks? You do? We bloody knew it! Simply drink some more drinks and send in some pictures of you drinking the drinks to win two Daytona Motorsport Karting tickets and Ridge Racer Unbounded for Xbox 360, PS3 or PC. DRINK!

Tickets can be used by anyone aged 16 or over. Can be redeemed at Daytona Manchester, Daytona Milton Keynes, or Daytona Sandown. Park Sessions must be booked in advance. Travel not included. Prizes must be claimed within six months of the issue's release date. Drink!

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BANDS AND POOR, POOR JOKES

SEXY LADY

RYONEN

MEET THE 23-YEAR-OLD WHO'S ABOUT TO BURROW INTO YOUR
MIND AND BECOME YOUR FAVOURITE PERSON IN THE WORLD...

PHOTOGRAPHY: CHASE LISBON



TRUE OR FALSE



RYONEN IS FROM PORTLAND, THE SAME OREGON CITY AS SIMPSON'S CREATOR MATT GROENING.

TRUE: According to Ryonen, the two best things about Portland are its food and beer. Portland's got over 40 different breweries, which means even sampling a mere five beers from each one would take us... right, let's do some maths here, five beers times 40 breweries equals two hundred beers... at least three hours.

RYONEN'S NAME IS AN ACRONYM, STANDING FOR "READY YOUR OARS, NORSEMEN ENTERING NORWAY".

FALSE: Obviously not. That conjures up fun visions of Viking slaves rowing Viking longships through Viking lands though. We're into Vikings at the moment.

TRUE OR FALSE



RYONEN IS AMONG THE STARS OF THE SEXY NEW FILM WE MUST REMAIN THE WILDHEARTED OUTSIDERS (SEE PAGE 24 FOR MORE AWESOME INFO ON THIS SEXY SEXY ENDEAVOUR).

TRUE: She plays a character called Willow, which is also (a) a tree; (b) a film starring a young Val Kilmer; and (c) the name of Will Smith's daughter. Everyone involved with WMRTWO has cool names, to be honest. There's nobody called Dwayne or Poindexter anywhere near it.

RYONEN OFTEN GETS MISTAKEN FOR VARIOUS CELEBRITIES INCLUDING BEN STILLER, FRANK BRUNO AND NIGEL MANSELL.

FALSE: Unless you're our bespectacled friend Blind Willy "Short-Sighted Bastard" O'Houlihan, you're unlikely to make that mistake. "I'm glad to be unique enough, or weird-looking enough, that I don't get mistaken for anyone else" she says. Odds are, if you recognise her, it's from a dream you had about a beautiful lady.

Awwww. How cute are we?



TRUE OR FALSE



RYONEN COULDN'T LIVE WITHOUT OXYGEN.

TRUE: "I couldn't live without the basics – oxygen, some kind of combustible fuel and sleep" she says. That's fair enough really. A useful way of remembering the seven basic life processes that nothing is considered alive without is by the acronym Mrs Nerg, stading for movement, reproduction, sensitivity, nutrition, excretion, respiration and growth. That's some sub-GCSE half-remembered biology, there.

RYONEN'S FAVOURITE INSTRUMENT IS THE ACCORDION.

FALSE: That isn't anyone's favourite musical instrument. Even accordion superstar "Weird Al" Yankovic only took up the accordion because a travelling accordion salesman visited his house. The accordion's fucking RUBBISH, yo.

TRUE OR FALSE



RYONEN SOMETIMES FINDS HERSELF PRACTICING MAKING SILLY FACES IN HER SPARE TIME.

TRUE: Or not. "Maybe" she says. She's not got a lot of free time to spend practicing the manipulation of her physiognomy, as her days are mainly taken up with modeling and going to college – she's doing Molecular Biology and Spanish (which means she's studying things that are "muy pequeno").

IF YOU DRAW RYONEN, THE DRAWING COMES TO LIFE AND FRENCHES YOU.

FALSE: Her Tumblr (ryonen.tumblr.com) is full of drawings people have done of her, though. "I think maybe I don't find some things weird that others would" she says.

THE KILL LIST



MISS THIS AND MISS OUT



P22. THE BRIDE

THE AUSSIE HARDCORE MOB ON GETTING PISSED AND DOING BIG PISSES.



P23. FAKE JAGERMEISTER

AN IN-DEPTH INVESTIGATION AS TO WHETHER THE KNOCKOFF SHIT'S GOOD SHIT OR SHIT SHIT.



P24. WE MUST REMAIN THE WILDHEARTED OUTSIDERS

SEXY CINEMA FROM A SUPER SNAPPER.



P26. WAYNE'S WORLD

WAYNE AND GARTH REACH THE BIG 2-0.



P28. BIG FUN IN THE BIG TOWN

ALONG-ON-THE-SHELF HIP-HOP FLICK FINALLY SEES THE LIGHT OF DAY.



P28. SNIPER: GHOST WARRIOR 2

YOU KNOW WHAT'S FUN? SHOOTING PEOPLE'S FUCKING LEGS OFF.



P30. HANNAH SNOWDON

OUR NEW FAVOURITE SEXY CAT-TOTING TATTOOIST.

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ETNIES X FRONT

THE WHOLE SHOE REVEALED

WE SHOWED you a bit of our exciting shoe last issue and now we can reveal it in all its glory; the limited-edition Etnies X FRONT Jameson 2. It's taken a surprisingly long time, and a lot of work, but these beautiful bastards will be rolling into shops soon, and can be yours for a mere £55. That's a small price to pay to know your feet are concealing some top-secret Mellisa Clarke toplessness.

Tom Henshaw, the Marketing Manager of Sole Technology, who own Etnies, Altamont, Emerica and ThirtyTwo, explains why we're so stoked they're finally out:

"For people outside the footwear industry it can be surprising how long the process is," he says. "Design is half the battle but can be time consuming, referencing swatches, fabrics, working on CADs, making sure everyone's happy and the designs are workable. It can be easy to get carried away with creative ideas, but it's got to be commercial enough that people will buy it. Then there's sampling, selling into stores, marketing... The whole process from initial discussion to the finished shoe can take a year, if everything goes smoothly."

Everything went smoothly as hell,

so in whatever crap plimsolls you're wearing at the moment, run down to your nearest shop and buy the super-limited fuckers, or snap 'em up at frontarmy.com before they sell out.



EAR CANDY

THE BRIDE

FRONT'S JUST FOUND ITS LONG LOST HARDCORE BROTHER

WE'RE NO SCIENTISTS, BUT parallel universes are real. Once we'd have pooh-pooed the idea that somewhere there was someone exactly the same as us. Now we know.

Meet The Bride: a band from the other side of the world who are pretty much FRONT in shorts with better hair. What qualifies them as our long lost DNA-sharers, you ask?

"The best sick we've done was behind a DJ booth at a club in Melbourne. It was everywhere, so we bailed and kept drinking," says vox man Kevin Shultz. Still not convinced? When we asked if it was true they passed out in a pool of puke outside their label manager's office, they said, "Yeah, we played a show down the road and decided breaking

into the office would provide a nice place to crash. We fucked it up, crashed outside, puked up a bit and woke up to see people hosing the place down."

Other shit that backs us up include their love for Vikki Blows, getting chased out of off-licenses and being generally awesome at what they do. Science is well clever, innit.

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MATHS

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA +



A DAY TO REMEMBER +



FRONT MAGAZINE = THE BRIDE

Q&A KEVIN SCHULTZ, VOCALS

ALRIGHT GUYS, HOW DID THE BRIDE COME ABOUT?

We all went to the same parties and shows then drunkenly realized we all shared the same passion and view on music and well, the rest is history. We've been kicking around for almost six years now.

WHAT BANDS DO YOU GET COMPARED TO THE MOST?

The best comparison I've heard was that we were a mix of Comeback Kid, New Found Glory and Break Even, which is sick, they're all awesome bands. I guess people should check our album out for themselves to really get it!

SOMEONE TOLD US YOU WERE FANS OF FRONT. REALLY?

TRUE! Nelson our guitarist is a huge fan of Vikki Blows and we found out about FRONT after he continuously showed us photos of her on the net. Can't really blame him though. She's a babe!

WHAT'S THE ULTIMATE GOAL?

To meet Vikki? Seriously though, just to play and tour for as long as we possibly can and to see as many different places as we can. We love it.



PHOTOGRAPHY: JOHN HAIFIELD

■ [FACEBOOK.COM/THEBRIDEBANDOFFICIAL](https://www.facebook.com/thebridebandofficial)

JAGER-TYPE DRINKS



COULD ANY OF THE RIPOFFS BEAT THE REAL THING?



JUNGFRAU 70cl, 30%

CLASSINESS: This seems to translate as "young missus". Is that classy? It's hard to say.

FACT: The Jungfrau is also the name of part of the Alps that people sometimes fall off.

RATING: This smells like it was brewed in a warehouse where 20 people died. Has washing-up liquid, grass and orange notes, and tastes like curry. We never want to be in the same room as this or talk about it ever again.

1/5



ZEIGERBERG 70cl, 22%

CLASSINESS: About as classy as those fake 50p Nike tees on market stalls in Tenerife that disintegrate if it rains and actually say 'Naik'.

FACT: Zeigerberg has five likes on Facebook. Five. Rubbish.

RATING: Tastes like the Holland and Barrett version of a Jäger – i.e. ineffective hippy cat cack. They could call it Jäger Zero or Jäger Junior.

1/5



WINNER

JÄGERMEISTER 70cl, 35%

CLASSINESS: That stag is fucking rad, and ümläuts are well pösh. If only the cross was inverted.

FACT: Germans call Jägermeister Leberkleister, meaning liver glue, as its original use was a cough remedy. We started to drink Jäger whenever our throat tickled and now our liver is glue, weirdly.

RATING: A bold Dr. Peppery, Covonia-tasting hit to the palate. One gloopy shot gets you higher than a whole bottle of Calpol.

4/5



JOSEF MEIER'S 70cl, 30%

CLASSINESS: There are nice mountains and the same black and citrus colour scheme as Jäger.

GINGER FACT: Josef Meier's claims to have been invented when Joe stumbled upon an ancient recipe and locked himself up for weeks until he brewed the perfect batch of Jägermeister. Sorry, we mean Josef Meier's.

RATING: This smells like lighter fluid and tastes like a mixture of mouthwash and BlackJacks.

1/5

FILM

WE MUST REMAIN THE WILDHEARTED OUTSIDERS

SEXY, ARTY, MODEL FILLED LESBIANSTRAVAGANZA

EAGLE-EYED REGULAR readers may spot familiar faces within this photo wall, faces like Lauren WK (as seen in issue 159), Apnea (issue 158), and Ryonen (as seen in this issue). They all star in *We Must Remain The Wildhearted Outsiders*, a long-in-the-making movie from photographer turned film-maker Chase Lisbon. It concerns a lesbian couple advertising for people to write to them to get saucy photos – hence this shit-ton of saucy photos we get to show.

"I've been working on this for two and a half years" says Chase. "I thought it would be a good idea to disappear into the Ozark mountains and cut myself off from culture and topical art. This has been an experiment in creating from a vacuum." For a vacuum, it doesn't suck.

It's also been an experiment in **LUDICROUSLY FIT GIRLS**, with the cast including twenty painfully good-looking models. "I loved helping dress the models" says star/set-builder/

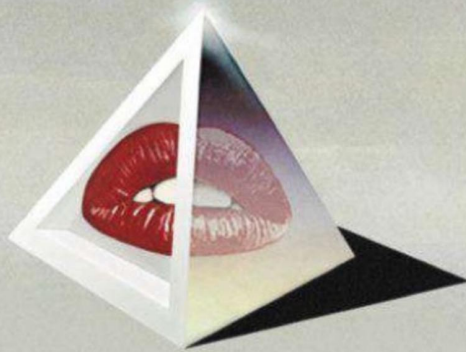
costume designer/location scout/powerful wizard/busy person Apnea. "It felt like I was playing with dolls."

Chase describes the film as "a matter of pushing boundaries, of taking control of one's sexuality in an oppressive environment, of the destructiveness of going too far into darkness." Apnea describes it as "a tripped-out movie with lots of hot girls". We're watching it for the philosophy and exploration of human darkness, honest. *We Must Remain The Wildhearted Outsiders* will be available to buy soon – see wemustremain.tumblr.com and wmrtwo.com for more.

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WAYNE'S WORLD TURNS 20

ONE OF THE GREATEST
MOVIES EVER MADE
CELEBRATES TWO DECADES OF
BRILLIANCE. SCHWING!

ON MAY 22, 1992, *BRITAIN* got something awesome. *Wayne's World*, starring nobody anyone over here had really heard of and based on a sketch from *Saturday Night Live*, which wasn't on over here, opened and immediately became a giant hit because it was AMAZING. Mike Myers's Wayne Campbell and Dana Carvey's Garth Algar represented everything that was awesome about not really going anywhere, using slang other people don't understand, and having no ambitions beyond owning a sweet-ass guitar and getting a sexy girlfriend. If you've not seen *Wayne's World*, watch it right now. It's excellent. And here's a few reasons why...

1 As well as the greatest sound effect for getting an erection in the world, it also gave us "Not!" (which has admittedly dated badly but was really funny at the time, plus Borat wouldn't have been the same without it), Baberham Lincoln, asphinctersayswhat and "we're not worthy".

2 Without the success of *Wayne's World* there'd have been no *Austin Powers* films, which would have meant Will Ferrell (who played Mustafa in 'em) might never have become a film star, which would mean no *Anchorman*. *Wayne's World* was also Chris Farley's film debut, so without it there'd probably be no *Tommy Boy*. It also paved the way for tons of SNL-inspired films, most of which are awful, but *Hot Rod*'s in there, and *Hot Rod*'s amazing.

3 Timmy Mallett clearly has a crap existence, but every time *Wayne's World* is on telly he can feel vindicated. One of Mike Myers's first telly jobs was on the *Wide Awake Club*, an early-morning kids' show presented by Mallett. "Mike, you bastard" Timmy can cry, "I was bigger than you".

4 Alice Cooper's cameo talking about the history of Milwaukee is not only brilliant, it's educational. The name Milwaukee really does mean "The Good Land". Excellent!



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AFTER 25 YEARS, the best old school hip hop documentary ever is available to the public. *Big Fun In The Big Town* is packed with insane shit like LL Cool J hanging out at his gran's house and Russell Simmons being a giant boss at Def Jam. We chatted to director Bram Van Splunteren to see how the hell he managed it...

Q&A BRAM VAN SPLUNTEREN DIRECTOR

HEY BRAM, WHOSE ARSE DID YOU KISS TO GET ACCESS TO THESE STARS?

I had a radio show in Holland and was a massive hip hop fan. I got in touch with Def Jam and befriended publicist Bill Adler, and the rest is history. Without him, the film wouldn't exist.

WHAT DO YOU SEE THE FILM BEING ABOUT?

It gives people an insight into the exploding New York hip hop culture in the mid-eighties. It's about where superstars like Run-D.M.C, LL Cool J

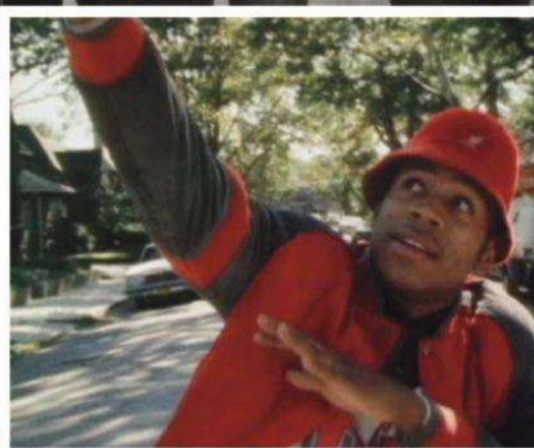
and Grandmaster Flash came from: the black neighbourhoods of Harlem, Queens and The Bronx. It's how and where it started, and how it evolved.

WHO'S YOUR FAVOURITE INTERVIEWEE IN THE DOCUMENTARY?

That's tough, but perhaps Doug E Fresh with his amazing human beatbox performance to camera. It's pure poetry to me.

Big Fun In The Big Town is available on DVD from 21 May.

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GAME

SNIPER 2

SEQUEL TO BAD GAME IN ACTUALLY-PRETTY-GOOD-GAME SHOCKER!

Remember *Sniper: Ghost Warrior*? Your probably don't, no fucker played it. Undeterred by that, the makers have done a sequel which, against all logic, ain't bad.

For *Sniper: Ghost Warrior 2*, they've used the CryENGINE 3 (a fast-as-shit, great-looking, barely-used-yet games engine) and chucked in a load of sweet touches that, based on the build we had an exclusive hands-on with,

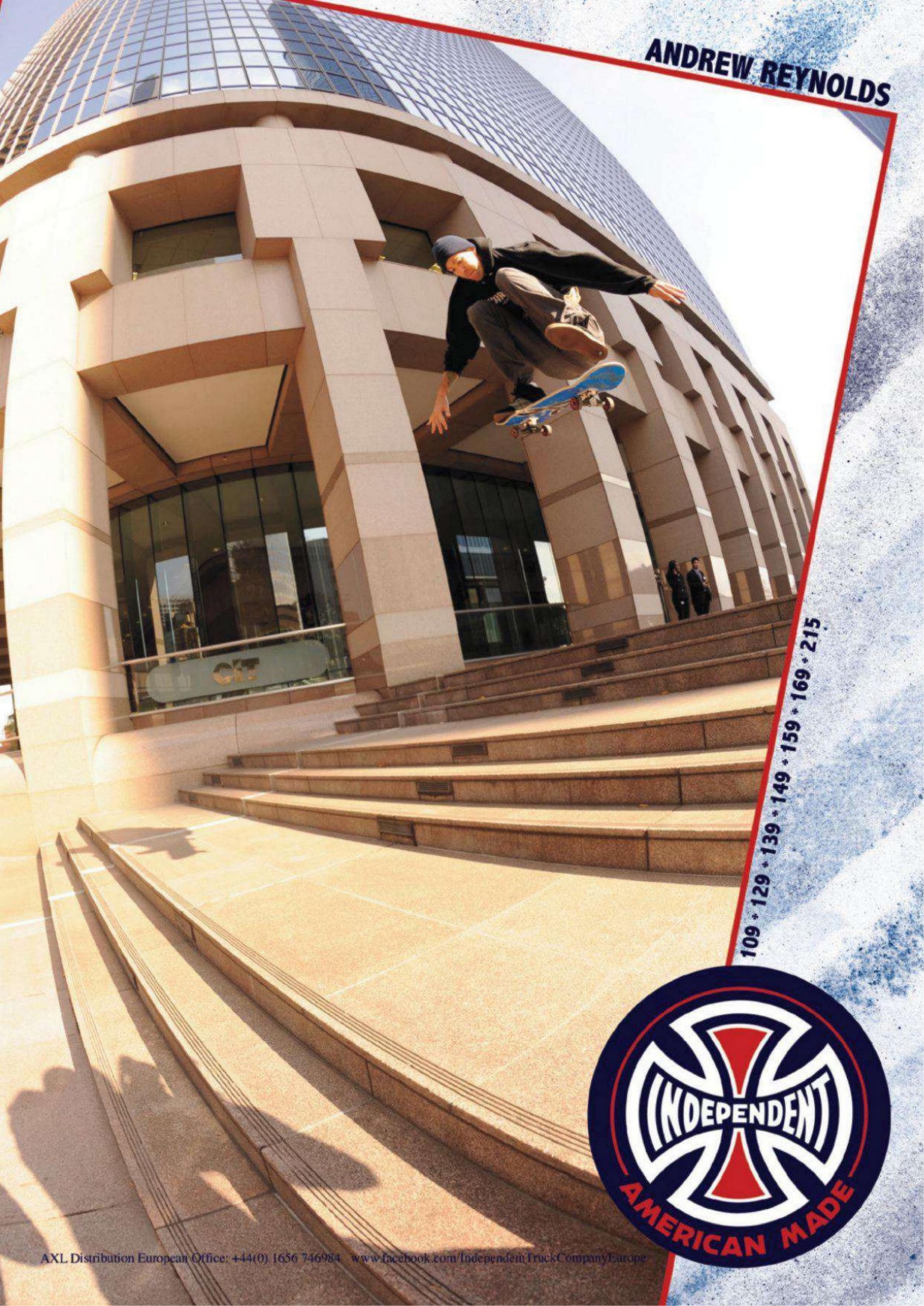
could make this a bit of a phoenix-from-the-ashes jobbie.

There's bullet-cam, just as satisfying as in *Max Payne*, and limb dismemberment and two-in-one kills, which not enough games have (we're not mentals, honest). And there's nice details, like if you're running and you stop to snipe at someone, you can't hold your breath immediately, as you're fucked, so you have to catch your breath to hold it.

The funnest bit, though, was *Sniper Spotter Mode*, a two-player online co-op where a guy with binoculars and a pistol works with a guy with a rifle to kill people – if it works out, this could become a standard mode on multiplayer FPS games. Then the dude who started it could be as famous as Sir Humphrey Team Deathmatch.



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HANNAH SNOWDON

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THIS
FACE

**THE DONCASTER ARTIST TALKS
TATTOOING OLI SYKES AND HER
OWN MUM**

NAME: Hannah Snowdon
AGE: 19
LIVES: Doncaster
JOB: Tattoo apprentice
■ HOLYMOUNTAINTATTOO.COM

**HEY HANNAH! WHAT IS IT
YOU DO, THEN?**

Easy! I'm the apprentice and lone female at Holy Mountain Tattoo in sunny Scunthorpe. Alongside drawing pretty pictures with two of my best friends for a living, I enjoy roadtripping, rock'n'roll and spooning the living daylight out of my cat.

HOW DID YOU GET INTO IT?

I've always kinda fancied myself as a bit of an artist, and

I met my bosses Tom and James at a dingy uni basement party. They'd seen some of my work before, and that night got pretty messy. There and then they hired me.

HOW WOULD YOU

DESCRIBE YOUR STYLE?

Black. I love dirty old punk imagery and draw a lot of inspiration from old Russian criminal tattoos and heraldic/occult woodcuts. I love to tattoo small, badge-like pieces that are heavily baselined, but never turn down a challenge. I also treat my own body as a bit of a notebook or doodle pad.

**WHO'S THE BEST PERSON
YOU'VE WORKED ON?**

The tattoo I was most nervous about was going over Oli Sykes's chest, for the simple fact that after tattooing for less than a year I was asked to alter

someone else's work and have it thrust into the public eye. Big props to him for having faith in me, though. Other than that, my Mum is booked in for next month, and I can't wait to have a go on her.

**IS THERE ONE TATTOO
THAT STICKS OUT AS YOUR
FAVOURITE?**

It's not that exciting, but the Thrasher logo that I recently did on Mat [Welsh, While She Sleeps] stands out. He's been my best friend for almost four years and my boyfriend for two. His genuine childhood ambition was to grow up

and be a 'thrasher', the definition of which was to "just skate and be in a band and that" apparently. That tattoo celebrates him making a career out of that.

**WHO DO YOU LOOK UP TO IN
THE TATTOO WORLD?**

I've got a lot of respect for tattooists who draw relentlessly and produce real works of art. I love the work of Guyletattooer, Raf and Thomas Hooper. At the moment I'm getting tattooed by Jemma Jones at Blue Blood – her work kills it and she's going to take over!

**ANY PLANS FOR THE
SUMMER?**

At the moment I'm looking to tattoo at festivals – I feel at home in that environment and the music and tattooing worlds really do go hand in hand. For me, tattoos are memories and touring tattoos encompass that perfectly. I like spontaneity and yes, tattoos are permanent and you shouldn't rush into them, but who's to say our bodies are permanent anyway? I say loosen up a little and stop taking yourself so seriously.



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WHO HE?

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TELL US A QUICK BIT ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR STUDIO.

I love cats, films, art and food. I work from home. I have a corner with all my books and computer paraphernalia, drawing detritus, animal skulls, crucifixes, notes from friends and other artists, old found photos, skateboards, art, posters and a voodoo shrine from New Orleans complete with Spanish moss and bird skulls. It sounds dark but it's a place to be inspired and comfortable. Einstein said "if a cluttered desk is a sign of a cluttered mind, of what, then, is an empty desk a sign?"

TALK US THROUGH A TYPICAL JOB.

I get a brief and we hash it out; if it doesn't inspire me I see if we can tweak it. For too long I became an

extension of Photoshop, but now I want to be proud of every piece. If I am going to spend three days working on a piece, I want it to be a job I love. It's not flipping burgers. When you first start, you can forget that you're not in it for the money; you're in it to do the best you can. With jobs like that, you are willing to spend more days on a job than you allocated - because you love it. When that happens, everything else comes easy; research, ideas, sketches, scanning, layers...

DO YOU PREFER WORKING FREEHAND OR DOING AS MUCH AS YOU CAN ON COMPUTER?

I used to draw and paint freehand but the mess and paint on the walls and

- ① A space scene I revisited. I love the solitude of space, there's something romantic about it.
- ② A detail from my film poster for Blade Runner, one of my favourite films and also my most sought after collectable prints.
- ③ My version of Death. He gets a bad rap but I imagine he doesn't much like the job either: sad reaper.
- ④ Film poster for Predator - I loved using the predator instead of Arnie. Another collectable.
- ⑤ A poster for a bar in Shanghai: Odin and his two crows.
- ⑥ Arms of the Devil. I love drawing hair and skulls!
- ⑦ Film poster for a top class Troma movie by the name of Nuke 'Em High.

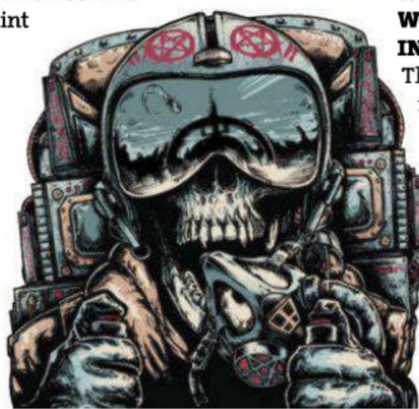


furniture was frustrating. When I was renting that didn't go down too well. On discovering you could use a computer to draw, I immediately dropped the brush. It's fashionable to use a pen again these days and I dabble, but I do love the computer. I make sure I do prints, posters and tees to get my art out there in some physical way, so it doesn't only exist in zeros and ones. It's nice to be able to touch art, to smell it.

WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR INFLUENCES FROM?

The nature of the web means I can fall in love with art from some office worker who doodles at night - he can put it online and I can see it. I'm more inspired by artists as people - good people with great outlooks and wise words and good work ethics.

"IT'S NICE TO BE ABLE TO TOUCH ART, TO SMELL IT"



OUT AND ABOUT

SMOKEOUT

PHOTOGRAPHY: AARON FARLEY

WHAT? Cypress Hill Smokeout Festival in San Bernardino, California, USA.

WHO THERE? The police, Wiz Khalifa and a whole lotta girls in norra lorra clothing.

BEST BIT: Old tattooed stoners providing an accurate glance into our future.

WORST BIT: Some people's medicine didn't seem to help them. It made them poorer.

SOME PEOPLE in this world are sick. Not sick as in evil or twisted, like fuck-a-dog sick, but sick as in unwell. The caring members of hip-hop giants Cypress Hill decided to throw a medicine party, where unwell Californians with medical marijuana prescriptions could enjoy their medications together, maybe listening to the occasional band or two. It's amazing how many sufferers of arthritis, glaucoma and migraines dress like they're

up for a party and manage to look like they're having a giant laugh. They really seem to be having a good time despite it all. So inspiring. Here's more to dig about the whole thing:

THE WHOLE WEED THING

Right, so it turns out in California weed is legal if you have a prescription for it. These prescriptions seem reasonably easy to get hold of – according to The Times, there are more marijuana dispensaries in

the state than Starbucks, McDonaldses and 7-Elevens put together.

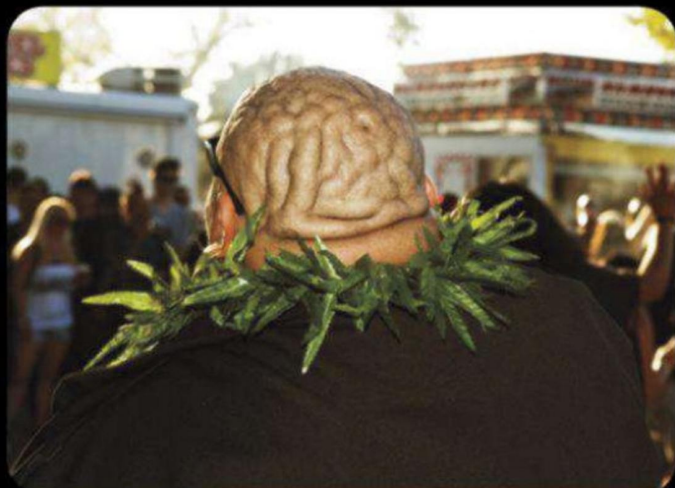
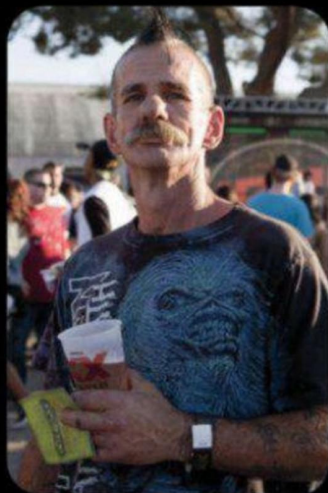
WEED DAY THREEWAY

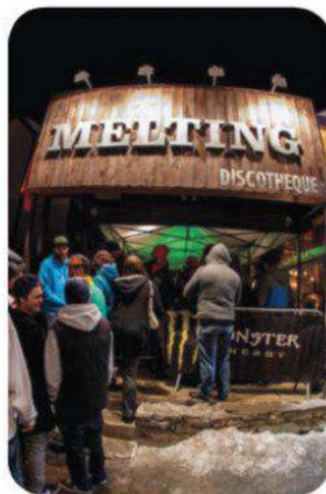
While making the live debut of their material with Rusko, Cypress Hill were joined by fellow high sock enthusiast Travis Barker in a three-way celebration of awesomeness. Plus there were stoner favourites Sublime (with a live lead singer rather than the dead original one, obviously), our old friend Wiz Khalifa and, er, Korn.

IT'S CALIFUCKINGFORNIA

Look how fucking sunny it was. We get two days a year that are that nice. Those bastards get to live like this and get free drugs off their doctors. Life's not fair.







OUT AND ABOUT

X GAMES

WHAT? The European Winter X Games.

WHERE? Tignes, the French Alps.

WHO THERE? International athletes, ski bums, cold-weather drunks, Tek-One.

THE LOOK: Garish colours,

Super Mario Bros boots, weather-worn flesh.

BEST BIT: Snowboarding down a mountain while drunk.

WORST BIT: Being violently sick after using snow to make our vodka-and-Monsters cold.

WINTER X GAMES. It's an appealing phrase. Say it with a mouthful of food and it sounds like you're asking someone if they're into sex games, which is pretty bold. It's more than just that, though, it's the frosty European leg of the biggest extreme sports tournament in the world, taking place in the way-too-posh-for-us mountain resort of Tignes.

All the athletes just seemed to be hanging out with everyone else, which was pretty rad. We saw Olympian Shaun White going into a newsagent. A

NEWSAGENT. You see, these medal-laden-geniuses-who-can-turn-their-hand-to-anything are just like us! We also heard the superb British rider Jamie Nicholls telling a filthy story about a sauna to anyone who'd listen, and met Silje Norendal, the prettiest pro boarder in the world. Here's what else ruled:

FALLING DOWN THE ALPS

The people at Monster lent us some boards and we hit the slopes. Hey, it turns out stopping is a lot more difficult than going really fast, especially when drunk, so now we need

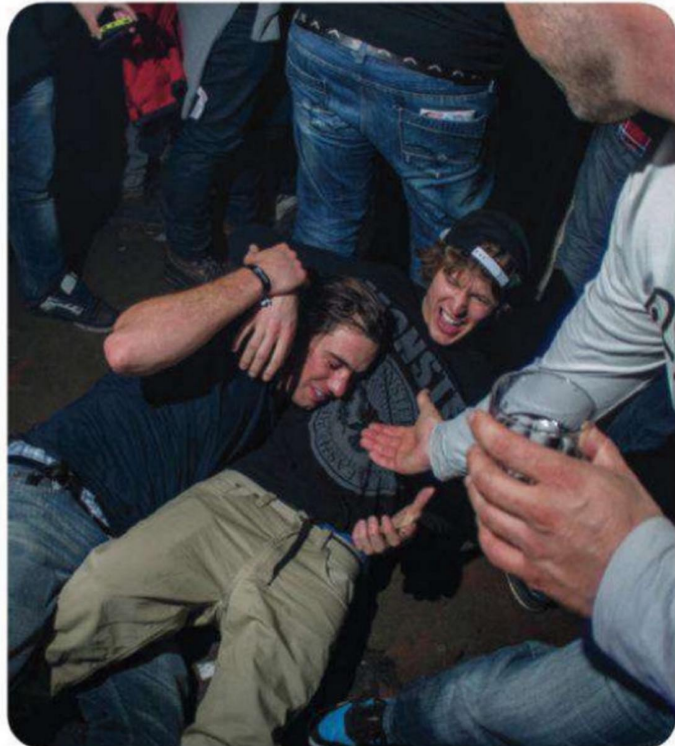
tailbone transplants (that's a real operation, right?).

MEETING BO

We met a stoned dude called Bo who lived in a van, drank vodka out of an apple juice carton and had skin the texture of a walnut from being in the snow too much. He's been living like that out there for ten years. He's awesome.

EVERYTHING ELSE

Throw in Tek-One, pissed-up posh people, stolen meat, a mountaintop tattoo parlour, the coldest feet in the world, the occasional somersaulting snowmobile and the weird feeling of being baking hot while standing knee-deep in snow, and holy shit dudes, the Winter X Games was pretty awesome. When we learn to walk properly again we're totally going back.



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5 May, Baysixty6 Skatepark, London, elementeurope.com/makeitcount



PAP EUROVISION SONG CONTEST

Everyone's favourite cringefest rears its ugly head once again, as we're treated to a cocktail of Eurowank pop. Tune in for Israeli transsexuals, Finnish dinosaurs, and many more disturbing oddballs from overseas.
26 May (final), eurovision.tv

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Freestyle motocross with the world's best riders battling it out to win the prestigious X Fighter title. With an audience of 30,000, this is where the mind-fucking moves come out of the bag.
12 May, San Bernadino, USA, redbullxfighters.com



NURSE INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY

Um... well this is awkward. Maybe if you dress up in a... no, forget it.
12 May, nursesday.rcn.org.uk

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① HABANERO TABASCO

£2.10, 60ml, tesco.com
Scoville rating: 7000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This tastes like HP sauce but with a longer kick. There's no big news here sadly. Tabasco hasn't exactly broken the mould, it's even the same bottle. Lazy Tabasco".

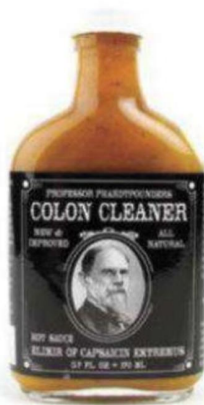
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "I know a Mexican fireman who recently had twins. They're called Jose and Hose B".

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2 COLON CLEANER

£5.95, 180ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 7,500 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "If you've ever longed for an Indian takeaway in a handy bottle, this is for you - it's more like a chicken tikka marinade".
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "This made me poo so much that I slipped into a comma. That's a punctuation joke."
★★★★★



3 HOLY SHIT

£4.99, 147ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 62,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This is really tasty, but also tongue-dissolving. You could use it to make your final meal delicious. After five minutes, its name is your whole vocabulary."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "I once did a shit with a hole in it. Well, I sat on a Polo naked and it got stuck for a while."
★★★★★



4 GOURMET ADJUSTABLE

£13.99, 210ml, firebox.com
Scoville rating- 75,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This starts bearable, then heats up but, like a prostitute's kiss, it doesn't linger. Adjusting the heat doesn't change much."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "The adjustable top is like my hose, which can be adjusted from floppy to diamond-cutter."
★★★★★



5 DYNAMITE

£4.99, 148ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 100,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This tastes like it's just some real chillies all smashed up with a bit of sugar in it. It's like some Masterchef shit."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "I have a very short fuse. Sorry, I don't mean I get angry easily, I mean I have a tiny, underdeveloped penis."
★★★★★



6 SHOW YOUR TITS

£4.99, 148ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 250,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "The name and picture drew me in - if only the taste was as awesome. It's definitely for girls."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "Would you like to lick hot sauce from my nipples? No? Can you wipe it off for me then, please? IT BURNS."
★★★★★



7 SATAN'S SWEAT

£3.99, 148ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 420,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This is oily, like Satan's salad dressing. It's very quick, it feels like getting kicked in the nuts via your mouth. In a nice way."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "I wring my undercracker sweat out to sell to lonely women. Don't knock it, it's a second income."
★★★★★



8 PAIN IS GOOD #114

£4.99, 210ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 10,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This stuff tastes like eating an orange with tonsillitis. Like if barbecue sauce and Nandos had a baby."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "Barbeques are a safety hazard, so how about I light your fire? After penetrative sex."
★★★★★



9 RINGSTINGER

£3.99, 148ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 100,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "This contains both habanero and naga chillies, but I guess they're both so hot that they cancel each other out. In fact, it's cold."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "The girls at the station call me the ringstinger, you don't need to ask why. I'll tell you... herpes."
★★★★★

10 ASS BLASTER

£11.99, 142ml, hot-headz.com Scoville rating- 37,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "There's a hint of both onions and fire, and it turns saliva into lava, great if you want to be a volcano. I didn't know my beard could sweat."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "Did you know some volcanoes don't erupt for hundreds of years? I barely last three pumps sometimes."
★★★★★



11 ASS REAPER

£7.99, 148ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 75,000 SHUs

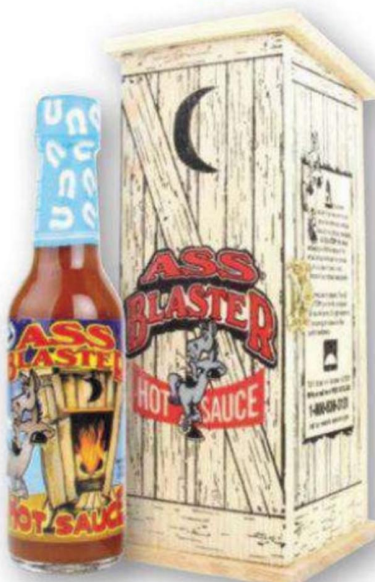
OUR TASTER SAYS: "This has a consistent, slow burn with a hint of acidity-bonfire, like an exploding car battery made of chillies."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "I am such a hunk even my farts are sexy. One got cast in Hollyoaks as Darren's cousin. The resemblance is uncanny."
★★★★★



12 ONE FUCKIN' DROP AT A TIME

£7.99, 118ml, hot-headz.com
Scoville rating- 300,000 SHUs

OUR TASTER SAYS: "I had three drops and my tastebuds melted. I need milk more than a newborn calf needs milk."
A LEWD FIREMAN SAYS: "Women come to the station to slide down the big greasy pole. Kristoff is pretty patient."
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YOU'VE GOT FOUR MONTHS. IF YOU DO ALL OF THESE AND PROVE IT, WE'LL GIVE YOU £1000.

☐ Go for so long without showering, building up layers of dried sweat, that you end up smelling weirdly nice.

☐ Walk past a fit girl in a bikini then walk back and forth four to ten times.

☐ Accidentally get a hilarious tanline.

☐ Show off by eating grass. Bonus point if it works and you pull.

☐ Watch The Amazing Spider-Man, come out of the cinema and jump off a wall.

☐ Punch a wasp.

☐ Be completely naked outdoors.

☐ Cut the sleeves off a t-shirt. Bonus point if you do it while wearing it.

☐ Go and see The Dark Knight Rises, and about fifteen minutes in, loudly shout at someone else, "Hang on, has this got Batman in?"

☐ See a female friend of yours in a bikini and realise in a sad, life-destroying heartbeat that you love them.

☐ Underpack dramatically for a holiday/festival/emigration.

☐ Steal a hard hat from a building site and drink cider from it.

☐ Spend £50 on drink before noon.

☐ Put your car through a carwash with the windows open.

☐ Applaud wildly when Van Damme's name appears in the opening credits of The Expendables 2.

☐ Throw your wallet at somebody and instantly regret it.

☐ Witness a football breaking a window. Bonus point if you kicked it.

☐ Find a really nice stick and adopt it for a day.

☐ Fill a water balloon from an outside tap and have it hilariously explode all over you.

☐ Get drunk outside.

☐ Completely fail at putting a tent up.

☐ Completely rule at putting a tent up.

☐ Sleep in someone else's tent.

☐ Start planning a really ambitious holiday that gets less ambitious as time goes on.

☐ Spend a really boiling hot day unnecessarily horny, to the extent that by the afternoon you barely know where you live.

☐ Chase a stranger's cat out of your house.

☐ Get a little bit too excited by the grunting women at Wimbledon.

☐ Refuse to give up on a barbecue in the middle of a gale.

☐ Accidentally stumble into a dogging hotspot.

☐ Talk to a stranger in an unconvincing accent for three-quarters of an hour.

☐ Twat a gazebo.

☐ Run down a hill so fast that when you get to the bottom you're like "How the fuck?"

☐ Shout at a dickhead ruining a house party with an acoustic guitar. Bonus point if you then smash the guitar dramatically on the floor.

☐ Witness something heart-warmingly old-fashioned, like a dog running down the road with a string of sausages in its mouth.

☐ Attend at least one of the events in our festival guide (see page 72). Bonus point if you go to them all.

☐ Get sunburned in the park with mates because you all refuse to rub suncream into each other's backs.

☐ Do a hand-shaped charcoal bra at a barbecue.

☐ Stack it while running in flip-flops.

☐ Fall in love three times in 24 hours.

☐ Combine sunburn in the day with freezing your dick off at night.

☐ Wee outside in broad daylight in a crowded area.

☐ Discover a drink that becomes your "summer tittle".

☐ Discover a band that becomes your "summer band".

☐ Get sick of both your summer tittle and summer band.

☐ Do a new sex thing. Bonus point if you didn't even know it existed.

☐ Climb over a fence.

☐ Eat some hilariously undercooked meat.

☐ Form a way-too-strong friendship with people you never see again.

☐ Accidentally drop something valuable into some deep water.

☐ Have a rubbish made-up festival myth told to you by someone who claims they were there.

☐ Get a really blurry picture of you and a rock star. Bonus point if one of you has their genitals out.

☐ Pull a Euros sickie on the same day as everyone else from work.

☐ Attempt to get backstage somewhere you really shouldn't.

☐ Go on a fairground ride while drunk or hungover, get off it and throw up violently in a bin.

☐ Learn a phrase in a foreign language and repeat it loads.

☐ Watch The Avengers and work out which one you are.

☐ Bury something.

☐ Offer to let a girl sit on your shoulders to get a better view.

☐ Waste a sunny day by keeping the curtains closed and playing Xbox.

☐ Write a horrible message like "If you read this you will die of anal warts" on a bit of paper, put it in a bottle and throw it in the sea.

☐ Find out a famous person has died about five days late.

☐ Break as many swimming pool rules as you can, by heavy petting while bombing.

☐ Lose a finger.

☐ Start a band as an excuse to get drunk in a garage. Bonus point if you become millionaires.

☐ Spend four days in the same pants.

☐ Laugh at someone else's passport photo then refuse to show yours.

☐ Either lose or gain a plaster while swimming.

☐ Invent a cocktail.

☐ Plan a wholesome day out that descends into drunkenness early.

☐ Go on a slide intended for people less than half your size and age.

☐ Take up smoking for 72 hours.

☐ Draw a cock in suncream on a mate's back.

☐ Get into an argument after taking cans into a pub garden about whether you're technically in the pub.

☐ Be naked outdoors.

☐ Ejaculate while traveling on water or traveling at over 200mph.

☐ Open a giant bottle of cider and drink it all. Bonus point if it takes less than fifteen minutes.

☐ Jump off a thing.

☐ Claim you'll get buff then don't bother.

☐ Cut a pair of jeans into shorts, but with one leg shorter than the other.

☐ Find a dogpoo on a beach.

☐ Get stuck in the bar queue behind a people who only go twice a year.

☐ Perform an incredibly unlikely, difficult catch, and then act as though it was no big deal.

☐ Be escorted out of somewhere by a man in a high-vis jacket.

☐ Nick a high-vis jacket.

☐ Witness thirty seconds of Olympic speedwalking and shout "I can fucking do that". Bonus point if you then demonstrate and fall over.

☐ Check your phone and find you've added numbers for people you've never heard of, like "Sexy Jeff".

☐ Try to convince your friends that you're all going to move to Spain and open a superclub.

☐ Eat some barbecued meat that is so delicious you briefly consider having sex with it.

☐ Spend 25 minutes calling a certain nationality all kinds of names during Euro 2012 before remembering that's where your girlfriend's mum is from.

☐ Go to a theme park, have your picture taken on the rollercoaster then refuse to pay, taking a picture of it on the screen with your phone instead.

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YO, WATKINS. YOU'RE BRINGING AN ALBUM OUT WHICH YOU SAID WAS A REACTION TO TOO MUCH SHIT MUSIC IN THE CHARTS. BOLD.

Well, it's not solely that. We also got bored of playing the same songs over and over again to be honest.

AS YOU WOULD, YOU LAZY BASTARD – YOU'VE TAKEN FIFTEEN YEARS TO DO FIVE ALBUMS. IN THE '60S PEOPLE DID THREE ALBUMS A YEAR.

And they sounded like shit as well, recorded on two mics. I'd like to do an album faster, but it's micromanaged too much, and we can't put something out which we're not happy with. We've already written a lot of stuff for the second album. Well, sorry, the next one. I always see each album as number one again. It's like the first four were getting ready and preparing, and now we're doing it for real.

AND YOU'RE RAPPING ON THIS...

I've always rapped, I just haven't fully laid it on to the public. I'm just paving the way for my solo record. It'll be Kanye West meets Yelawolf.

Seriously, all I listen to is hip-hop.

YOUR MUM DESCRIBED THIS ALBUM AS JACK JOHNSON MEETS WILL SMITH. THAT'S QUITE HIP...

My Mum went to see Rammstein recently. She's been to see them three times. She loves 'em. She knows she's got an 'in' now, so she's always saying 'Ooh, Thingabob's playing', looking for me to sort her out. She's asking me to sort her out with Billy Connolly tickets.

WHAT STUPID THINGS HAVE YOU USED YOUR STATUS TO GET?

Jamie [Oliver, keyboards] does that, uses my status. I wish I got free stuff. Like fucking Fearne [Cotton], the amount she gets is mindblowing. I'm like,

BIG INTERVIEW

MOST

LOVE-HIM-OR-HATE-HIM FRONTMAN IAN KANGAROOS, PETROL GUNS, PONTYPRIDD,

'You don't need this. You're rich. Let me have it. Can you get one for me?'
YOU DUDES ARE ALL LA-BASED NOW, RIGHT?

I live in Pontypridd. I lived out there for two years, but it does your head in. It's not home. The rest of the band are out there, which makes things more expensive, all flying to one place to rehearse. We have a couple of months off here and there, in between albums, but we've been hanging out for all our lives really.

IN PONTY, ARE YOU GOLDEN-BOLLOCKS, OR DO PEOPLE JUST GO "AH, FUCKING IAN AND HIS FUCKING BAND"?

Cos I grew up there it's 'Oh, fucking still singing, is he? Has he been on X-Factor yet? Nope. Oh, shame'.

WITH THE AMOUNT OF MONEY BEHIND AN ALBUM LIKE THIS, DO

YOU EVER MISS THE DAYS OF JUST PISSING ABOUT IN A SHED?

What's frustrating is, now we're at a certain level, you come up with ideas to do stuff live and you've got to get them okayed. Everything's got to be fireproofed and certified, while back in the day we could just fucking set fire to something. We had an argument about it the other day. But my clothes haven't been fucking safety approved. They're not fire retardant. I could come out in a shellsuit covered in hairspray and playing with a petrol gun throwing around matches.

THE OLD PETROL GUN, EH? MAYBE YOUR MUM COULD BORROW IT OFF RAMMSTEIN.

Oh, they've got one have they?
THEY SHOOT FIRE OUT OF THEIR GUITARS. IT'S AWESOME.

Shooting fire out of a guitar and a petrol gun are very different things.
SORRY. IN THE PAST, YOU'VE SLAGGED A LOT OF PEOPLE OFF, LIKE JARED LETO. HAVE YOU EVER RUN INTO PEOPLE BACKSTAGE AT FESTIVALS AND BEEN LIKE 'AH...?'

Jared Leto came to our dressing room at a festival, but we were all

OPINIONS

WATKINS ON RAPPING, RAMMSTEIN, BEING A SHIT ONLINE, AND THAT PHOTO...

PHOTOGRAPHY: NICOLA FAVARON

out doing press apart from Lee who was in the dressing room with a migraine. He came in, and was like 'Alright, I wanna know what the issue is', but Lee with his migraine couldn't even speak. So Jared sat there for a while in awkward silence then went 'Can I have this bottle of water?' and Lee said 'Yeah man' so he took it and left. Then when we came back Lee was like 'Guess who was just in here'. It was a near miss.

NO VIOLENCE THEN?

I would have had no problem sitting him down and saying 'Look, don't complain about being in a band. You don't have to do this. It's not a charity, and it's not saving the world. You're doing it because you want to, so enjoy it.'

YOU CAN BE QUITE A POLARIZING FIGURE. IS THAT SOMETHING YOU ACTIVELY PURSUE?

I don't. We're all like from this small town in Wales, and I've always thought, be honest and you'll do alright. Whereas, disappointingly, people buy into bullshit a lot more readily. You can go and be false as fuck and pretend to be nice, and people think you're wicked, or you can be honest and be yourself, and people fucking hate you. I'm happy.

From day one, I've been on the phones with anybody who said shit. **WE SAW A THING ON A BULLET FOR MY VALENTINE FANSITE, "IAN WATKINS DOESN'T DESERVE TO BE THE SAME NATIONALITY AS BULLET". INCREDIBLE.**

I love shit like that, it's lambs to the slaughter. One of my guilty pleasures is arguing on the internet, I love it. I'm from the generation before the internet, so the minute you turn your PC off you're in the real world, and that's your life, not the few hours you spend online.

ON YOUR TWITTER PAGE IT'S AMAZING HOW MANY REPLIES YOU'VE WRITTEN THAT SAY 'YEAH, SO WHAT, CUNT'.

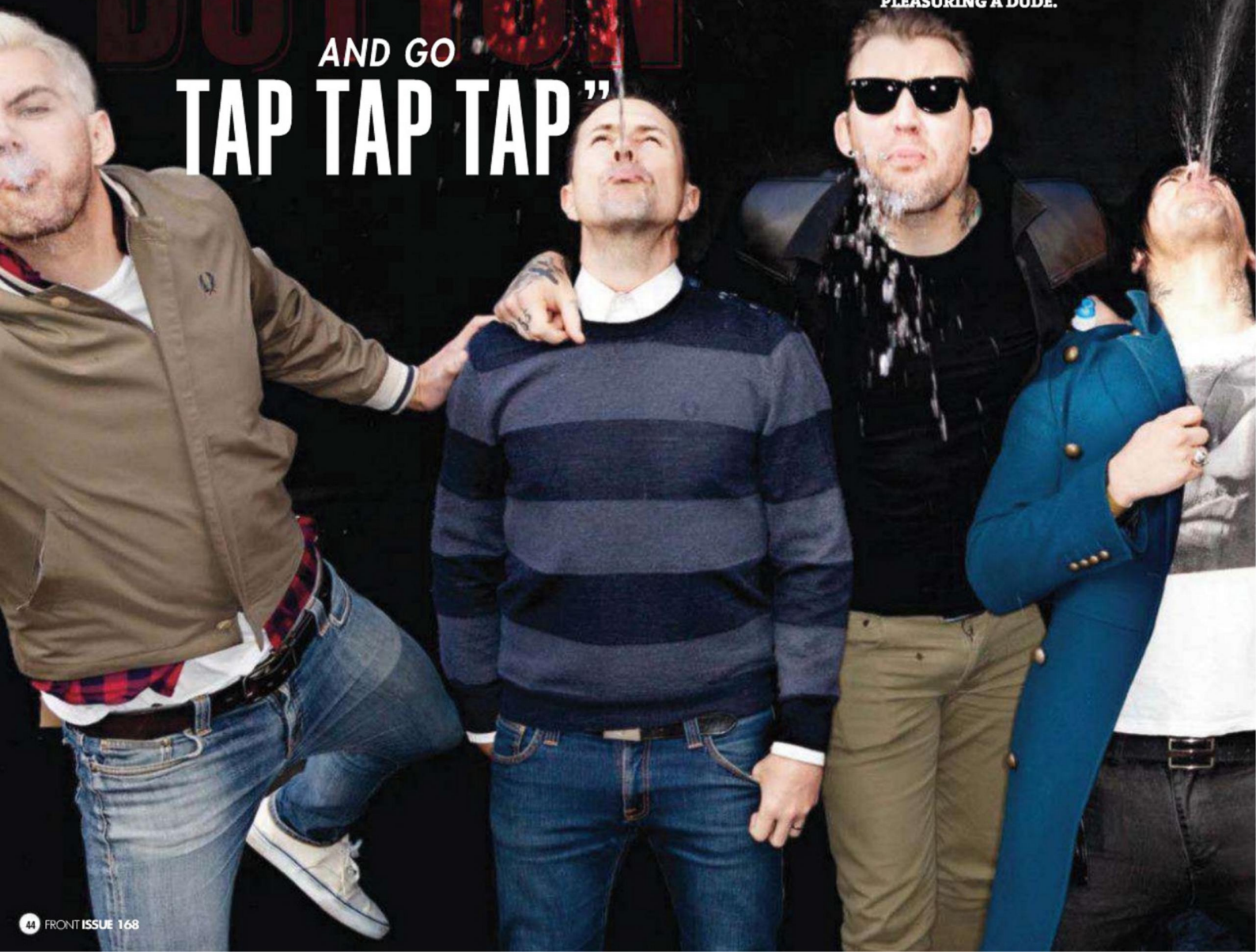
It cracks me up, people being so rude. Nobody says shit to my face. The problem with the internet is there's no accountability. That's the thing they should change. If they put your IP next to your username, and you couldn't spoof it, and you had to use your thumbprint to log on, you'd have to fucking stand by everything. I love it, though, 4chan and that. I'm a born antagonist. When I meet people, I find their button and go tap tap tap tap tap. **SPEAKING OF THE INTERNET, THERE WERE SOME COMPROMISING PHOTOS OF YOU RELEASED BY PEREZ HILTON, WHERE YOU APPEARED TO BE, UH, PLEASURING A DUDE.**

"WHEN I MEET PEOPLE I FIND THEIR

BUTTON

AND GO

TAP TAP TAP"



I don't know *what* you're on about. The internet's intriguing. Back in 1999, I was a web designer, building websites from scratch, hard coding, before it was easy. People... people think that if something's on a screen or written then it must be true. Nobody questions anything, they just take it as face value, but the internet's not fact checked. Someone's typed it or posted it, but it hasn't got any extra validity. They'll go 'Your photos got leaked'. Right, how would that happen? You know, run me through the scenario.

UH, YOU TAKE IT, AND THEN YOU...

So I took this photo, alright, on a camera. You've still got the process of how it would end up on the internet. You've got to ask these questions. But nobody does. It's interesting, you know. The whole thing was just funny, it cracked me up.

YOU MADE SOME UNUSUAL COMMENTS AT THE TIME THAT SUGGESTED YOU WERE A PUPPET MASTER SVENGALI-TYPE FIGURE.

You can get really boring about this and tie in deeper themes about how we don't question anything. The rules we follow, who set those laws, and what criteria were they setting them

by? Probably their own agenda. So why should we follow them? With all the rules we live by, like monogamy, you can't have a set template for the world and expect everybody to fit into it. But nobody questions this. Ultimately our society's built on the Ten Commandments, and that makes no sense. If God is omnipotent, why did Moses have to climb a fucking hill to get them? He's there, if He's everywhere. It makes no sense. Why aren't there kangaroos in the Bible? Is it because God doesn't like kangaroos? Or is it because the people writing the Bible only had a five-mile radius of knowledge? Probably that.

MAYBE GOD REALLY DOES FUCKING HATE KANGAROOS.

How can you hate a kangaroo? You ever met one?

YEAH.

You haven't. When? What was he called? You haven't met a kangaroo, you've seen one. Did he see you?

NO. NO HE DIDN'T.

See, that's what it was. You were at a club, and he was with Jay-Z, someone better than you. And you said hello, and he didn't even notice you. That's what all this is. You're just bitter. **FRONT**



Sexual DEVIANT ART

WE SEARCHED DEVIANTART.COM FOR THE "BEST" IAN WATKINS FAN ART WE COULD FIND, AND GOT HIM TO CAST HIS EYE OVER IT

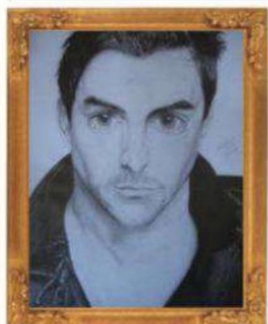


"I seem to have a special kind of holder that turns oranges black. They're special oranges, Goth oranges."

art by Rachi Xkorr

"This isn't a drawing, it's a photo. It's very vampiric, isn't it? If the bit at the top where my head cuts off is deliberate, it's very impressive."

art by ANON



"Reminds me of the Black Hole Sun video. Jamie paints, and he does one eye bigger than the other on characters. That's a little anecdote for you, there."

art by CAPT-JaCK

"Ah, yes. This reminds me of Jar Jar Binks, in a good way. Look at that nice bit of charcoal shading on the tie. I like it."

art by Xx_Catherine_xX



"That's a potential chest tattoo. This artist questions the viewer and challenges them. It's like the A-Ha video - one half's photorealistic, the other's a drawing."

art by helunand joolzzz

20 QUESTIONS



HE'S HAD MORE NUMBER ONES THAN YOU'VE HAD NUMBER TWOS, BUT HOW WILL THE DISTRESSINGLY RICH BOBBY RAY SIMMONS JR HANDLE OUR QUIZ?

1 AS A KID, WHAT WAS YOUR FAVOURITE FILM?

I liked the Matrix Trilogy. The best character was a tie between Morpheus and Agent Smith.

2 WHERE'S THE SHITTEST PLACE YOU'VE EVER BEEN?

In Mississippi, a hotel room. It was filled with cockroaches. In the bed, in the toilet, everywhere...

3 IF YOU COULD THROW ONE PERSON OFF TV INTO A PEN OF LIONS, WHO WOULD IT BE?

[US TV host] Geraldo Rivera. A teenager named Trayvon Martin got murdered, and Geraldo said it was his own fault for wearing a hoodie. I guess it's Geraldo's fault he's ended up in a pen of lions.

4 WHAT WOULD YOUR SUPER POWER BE?

I'd have invisibility or the ability to fly. You could borrow nice things from stores. It'd be super-borrowing not super-robbery.

5 WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE RUDE WORD?

Fuck's so flexible. "Look at you, you fuck!" or "She fucks" or "Dope as fuck" or just "Aw, fuck!" Plus it has its own hand signal.

6 WHAT FOR YOU MAKES AN AWESOME NIGHT?

Lovely ladies and strange clouds. Clouds can be a byproduct of a recreational activity or anything that doesn't fit everyday thinking.

7 WHAT IS THE FIRST ALBUM YOU EVER BOUGHT?

My brother found a twenty dollar bill and so we bought DMX's It's Dark And Hell Is Hot. Fuck yeah!

8 WHAT WILL YOUR FUNERAL BE LIKE?

I want it to be a 4:20 party. Smoke my ashes and dump them in the river in Amsterdam.

9 WHO'S THE BIGGEST ARSEHOLE FAMOUS PERSON YOU'VE EVER MET?

Everyone's been nice, I'm lucky.

10 HAVE YOU GOT ANY PHOBIAS?

I don't have a fear of heights, but I have a fear of landing.

11 WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU DO FOR A LIVING?

I'd be a chef. Italian food is my specialty, the Americanized version.

12 WHAT'S THE MOST YOU'VE EVER NEEDED THE TOILET?

I was in Jakarta, in a hotel lobby, and I went "this is the life, hand-squeezed fruit juice in Indonesia", but then nature called, and I had to take that call. I made it, just.

13 WHAT'S THE WORST IDEA YOU'VE EVER HAD?

There are songs on my hard drive that the public will never hear.

14 WHAT'S YOUR BOOZE OF CHOICE?

Wheat beers, like Grimbergen. I also enjoy certain alternatives to booze – sativa by day and indica by night. I'll name my pets Sativa and Indica.

15 WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE PUNCHLINE?

Uh, "that's what she said."

16 WHAT'S THE STUPIDEST THING YOU'VE EVER SAID TO IMPRESS A WOMAN?

'If you like the Eiffel Tower you're gonna love this!', pointing to my junk. I got a laugh and a swift exit.

17 TELL US WHAT WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU.

I'm a green belt in capoeira.

18 WHY SHOULD PEOPLE BUY YOUR NEW ALBUM?

If you liked The Adventures Of Bobby Ray you'll love this album. If you didn't like it, you'll love this album. And if you've never heard of me, you'll love this album.

19 IF YOU HAD £1,000,000 AND 24 HOURS TO RINSE IT, HOW WOULD YOU DO IT?

Either a million lottery tickets or go on a club/watch/shoe frenzy.



WHAT HAVE YOU EVER SEEN THAT YOU WISH YOU COULD UN-SEE?

Do you remember a website called rotten.com? I wish I could erase everything I've seen on that website.



DUDE OF SPORT

PHOTOGRAPHY: TOM SPRAY

RUNE GLIFBERG

THE LEGENDARY DANISH SKATER TALKS
PARTIES, FAST CARS AND STAYING GROUNDED.

WHO HE?

NAME: Rune Glifberg
AGE: 37
FROM: Copenhagen
SPONSORS: Flip, Volcom,
Converse, Oakley, and
many more.

"I WANTED TO
GIVE SOMETHING
BACK TO THE
COMMUNITY,

SO I HOSTED A
PARTY
FOR
5000
PEOPLE"

HEY RUNE, HOW ARE THINGS OVER IN COPENHAGEN?

Things are good. I've just moved back here after seventeen years of living in California so this is a bit of a big change in my life. It's pretty rad to be back, though.

MOVING BACK ISN'T SOME SLOW DECLINE INTO SETTling DOWN AND QUITTING SKATING, IS IT?

Oh, not at all. I still try and skate as much as possible. My kids are getting older though, and I'm trying to get them to live and learn a little. Y'know, learn the culture and perhaps grow in a safer environment.

SO IF FRONT WAS PLANNING TO COME TO COPENHAGEN FOR A NIGHT OF STUPID DRUNKENNESS, WHERE'D YOU TAKE US?

I'm into a place called Simons right now, which is quite upscale. I know the owners as well, which helps. Man, most Danes party real hard

so the nightlife is pretty cool. I've done my fair share of partying, so my friends tend to hit more private parties and keep it more mellow.

WHAT'S BEEN THE MADDEST PARTY YOU'VE HIT?

Parties in the Playboy suite in Vegas were always massive. It's a private room, but big enough to make it huge with rad DJs and stuff. It's on the top of The Palms with swimming pools on the balcony and shit, so it's properly ballin'.

YOU CELEBRATED 25 YEARS OF SKATING LAST YEAR, WHICH IS A PRETTY ACE MILESTONE. DID YOU THROW A PARTY BIG ENOUGH TO RIVAL VEGAS?

Yeah, I wanted to give something back to the community that's supported my career, so I hosted a big event with loads of concerts. We had

free food, free booze, loads of US pros and a bunch of Volcom giveaways, so it was great. There must have been about 5000 people there. It was my way of saying thanks.


THAT'S WAY NICE OF YOU. WE'D HAVE THROWN A PARTY FOR JUST US, AND NOT INVITED ANYBODY.

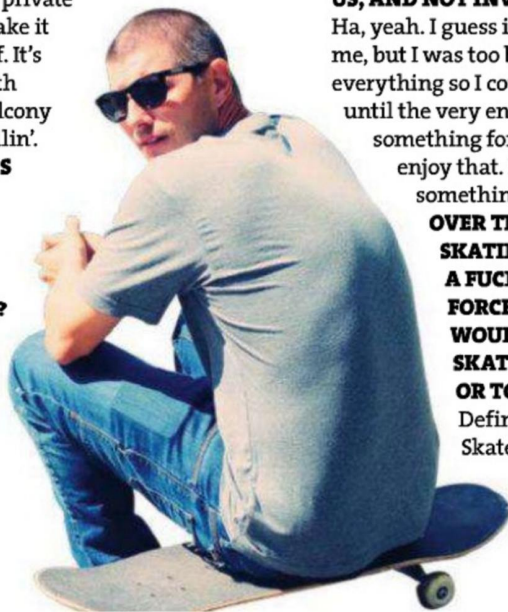
Ha, yeah. I guess it was a party for me, but I was too busy organizing everything so I couldn't get drunk until the very end. It's cool to do something for other people. I

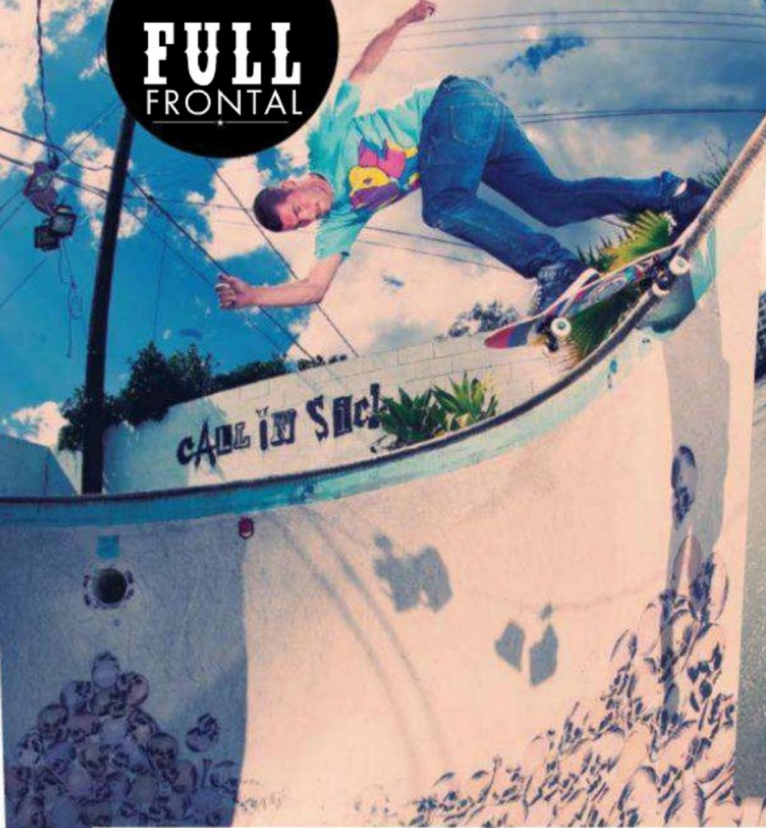
enjoy that. It gives the kids something to aspire to.

OVER THOSE 25 YEARS, SKATING'S CHANGED A FUCK LOAD. IF WE FORCED YOU TO, WOULD YOU CHOOSE SKATING BACK THEN OR TODAY?

Definitely today.

Skateboarding is in a really healthy 





place. I mean, skating always evolves and in the 80s it was very limited. Now it's amazing, with a real cool mix of kids. Now there seems to be a huge variety, with guys with punk rock mentalities all the way through to the super gnarly hip hop-inspired skaters, and everyone inbetween.

YOU'VE ALWAYS STRUCK US AS A VERY GROUNDED ATHLETE AMONGST TODAY'S MORE COLOURFUL, BURNT-OUT OR PLAIN- DANGEROUS CHARACTERS. HAS THAT BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN YOUR CAREER LONGEVITY?

That's definitely helped me. My career slowly evolved into what it is today and I didn't have the overnight success some kids have. I can see how that can really mess with someone's head. I know that I'm able to live the lifestyle I do and do the things I want to because of skateboarding, so I've always appreciated the sport. I'm grateful for what skating has given me, so I guess that's why I've been real careful not to fuck up.

SINCE 1995, YOU'VE COMPETED IN EVERY X-GAMES, WON MORE MEDALS THAN ANY SKATER BUT YOU ONLY WON YOUR FIRST GOLD IN 2008. WE BET THAT WAS A FUCKING RELIEF...

Yeah, of course that was great. It's the biggest event of the year and something I feel I need to be a part of. Some years I felt better than others and it was so good to finally get that gold. It was even better to back that up the year after with the same result.

WHEN YOU'RE NOT SKATING, YOU'RE A MASSIVE PETROLHEAD,

WHAT ARE YOU DRIVING NOW?

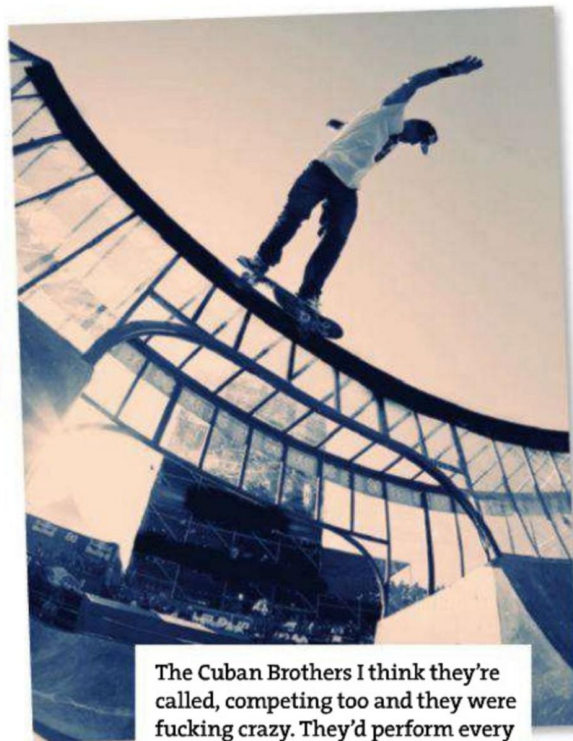
Totally. I've got a 2003 BMW M3 that I've turned into a proper race car with roll cage, top spec suspension and all the safety stuff. I've not had the time to race it over the last six months, but I really enjoy taking it on track days. I like the flow and rhythm of driving that you can find in skating too, even though it's a completely different type of thing. It's real hard and challenging, but that always makes it interesting.

HAVE THERE BEEN ANY PARTICULARLY HAIRY CRASHES?

I usually seem to recover pretty well whenever I get into sticky situations. When I've pushed the limits of the car I've been able to regain some control. That's obviously a pretty important thing to be able to do.

YOU DID THE GUMBALL BACK IN 2005, TOO. THERE MUST'VE BEEN SOME INSANE SHIT DOWN THERE.

It was so fun. I did it with the guys from Flip Skateboards in an old 1974 Bristol. It was pretty classy, but I would have liked something a bit faster. There were these two guys,



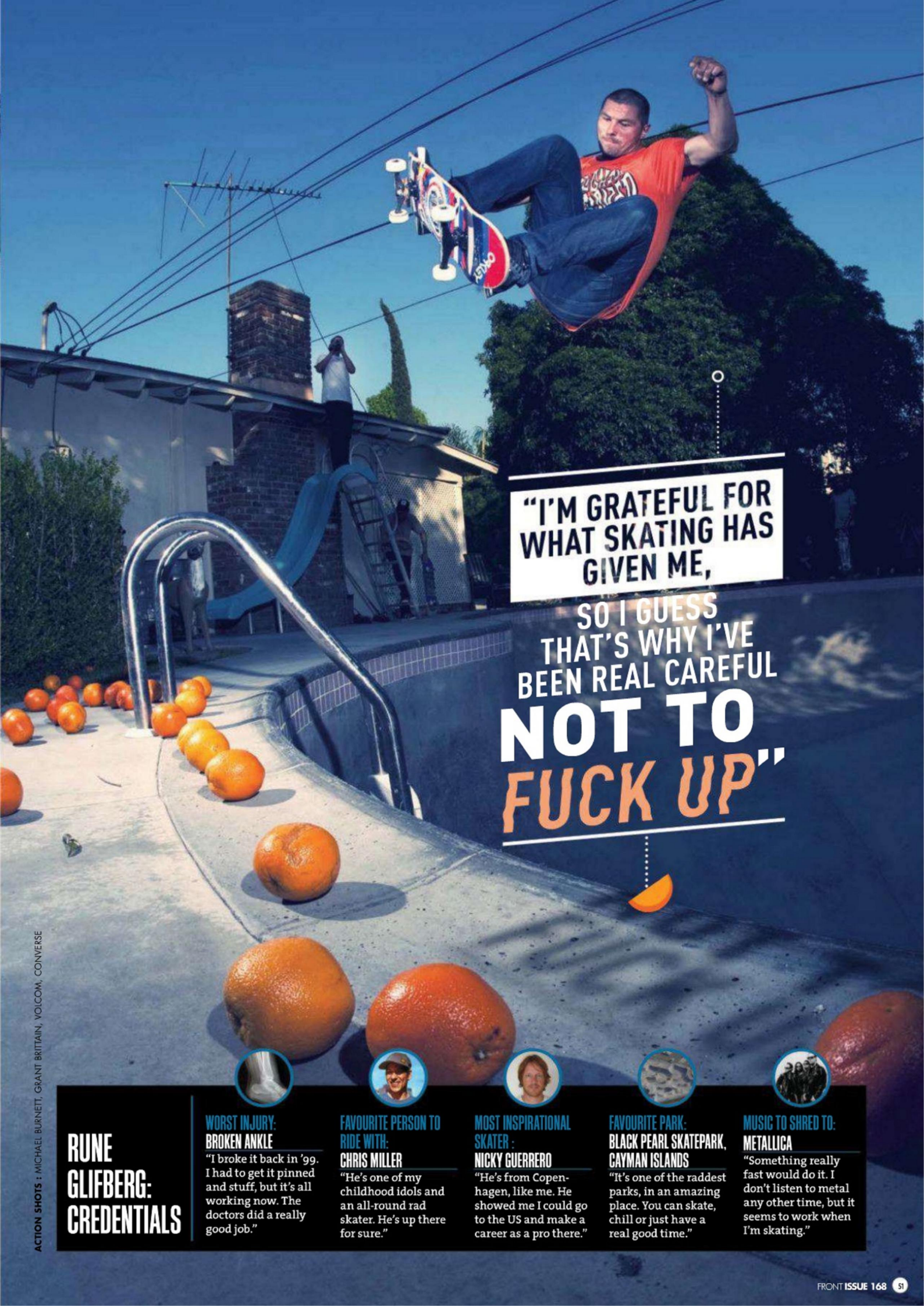
The Cuban Brothers I think they're called, competing too and they were fucking crazy. They'd perform every night too in their weird outfits. It was some seriously fun shit.

WE'RE FUCKING JEALOUS.

FINALLY, IF YOU COULD PICK ONE YEAR FROM THE TWENTY TO RE-LIVE IN SOME SORT OF EXTREME SPORTS GROUNDHOG DAY, WHAT'D YOU GO FOR?

I think 2001 was really good for me. That was around the time we did the first Sorry video with Flip, my skating was strong and I was winning lots of contests. Even though that was over ten years ago, I feel like I still have a lot to offer. If my body wasn't as beat up as it is, I'd feel like I was at the top of my game now, y'know? **FRONT**





"I'M GRATEFUL FOR
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ACTION SHOTS : MICHAEL BURNETT, GRANT BRITTAIN, VOLCOM, CONVERSE

RUNE GLIFBERG: CREDENTIALS

WORST INJURY: BROKEN ANKLE

"I broke it back in '99. I had to get it pinned and stuff, but it's all working now. The doctors did a really good job."

FAVOURITE PERSON TO RIDE WITH: CHRIS MILLER

"He's one of my childhood idols and an all-round rad skater. He's up there for sure."

MOST INSPIRATIONAL SKATER: NICKY GUERRERO

"He's from Copenhagen, like me. He showed me I could go to the US and make a career as a pro there."

FAVOURITE PARK: BLACK PEARL SKATEPARK, CAYMAN ISLANDS

"It's one of the raddest parks, in an amazing place. You can skate, chill or just have a real good time."

MUSIC TO SHRED TO: METALLICA

"Something really fast would do it. I don't listen to metal any other time, but it seems to work when I'm skating."

GADGETS

SPLASH YOUR CASH

BECAUSE SAVING IS FOR WANKERS

FURRY FACE FURNITURE

Moustache Door Mat, £TBA, thabto.co.uk

GOOD: What better way to come home than to wipe your poo-laden feet on a mat that looks like a moustachioed hipster fuckwit? Our favourites are Hitler, Ringo Starr and Poirot.

BAD: When you kiss it you get really bad stubble rash on your face and also dogshit.



F.Y.I

GoPro has a snowboard team that includes floppy-haired Olympic skating behemoth Shaun White.



HATCAM

GoPro HD Helmet HERO, £300, firebox.com

GOOD: EXTreem rad gnarly hat, captures POV footage in HD resolutions at 60 FPS for up to nine hours. **BAD:** You'll be using this to make close-up short films of your cock and balls till snow season starts again.



CRUSH ON YOU

Slushie Maker, £63, firebox.com

GOOD: Pack your gob full of delicious liquefied E-numbers in the comfort of your own home using this retro American Diner-stylee slushie machine. Healthiest ingredient; water.

BAD: Does not crush bricks, old clothes or luncheon meat to desired degree. Enacting the end of Fargo is tough.

SNAWS

Chumbuddy 2 Shark Sleeping Bag, £130, thegeekstlink.com

GOOD: Sleeping with the fishes has always been a life-long dream of ours and now, thanks to some indoorsy types, we no longer have to risk death, being ostracised from society, 20 years to life or fish breath.

BAD: Makes you feel a bit like Tom Hanks in Big. Or Robert Shaw in Jaws, in Jaws.



ZOMBILICIOUS

Zombie Jerky, £6, firebox.com

GOOD: Raised on a diet of free-range corn-fed humans, these tender chunks of the undead count towards one of your five a day.

BAD: It's 99 per cent beef, meaning a maximum of one per cent of ingredients is derived from zombie. Unless it's zombie cow, which is delicious.



LSDECKS

LSDemon Decks, ETBA, bakerskateboards.com

GOOD: These boxer-browningly bad-ass Baker boards are bloomin' bamazin'. Starring 3/5 of the LSDemons (Nuge, Figgy and Dustin Dollin), you'll be trippin' balls.

BAD: Or over your balls if you have a pair of exceptionally low hangers.

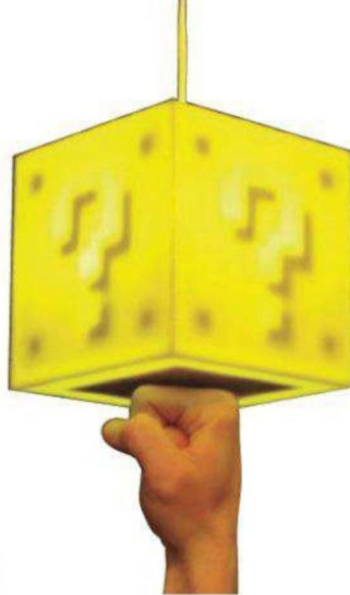


BIG-BOY BIKE

BMW Mountain Bike Enduro, \$4,500, shop.bmwgroup.com

GOOD: With its aluminum frame and hardware, this beast of a bike weighs in at 14.8 kilos and is kitted out with a Shimano component set, FOX forks and Crank

Bros. wheels; all really impressive if you speak bike. Available in black and very bright green. **BAD:** Nowhere to attach our old tandem's wicker basket, so where the fuck is Fluffles meant to sit?



POWER-UP

Interactive 8-bit Question Block Lamp, \$75, etsy.com/shop/8BitLit

room and punch this Mario-style block to turn it on. It makes both the coin and 1-UP noises when punched.

punch, and fall arse-first onto spikes or get chomped by a Koopa. Or become a plumber.

ROYAL BOOZE

Glen Grant 60 Queen Elizabeth II Whisky, £7,995, firebox.com

GOOD: One of only 85 limited edition Diamond Jubilee single malts with a diamond-shaped stopper in an Elm and purple Harris Tweed handmade box, all for just £7,995!

BAD: Arse, we spent our last eight grand on Moomin stickers.



BOOM-SHAKE...

Sony, £89, sony.co.uk

headphones will make it feel like you're still dancing in the club from the night before.

you puke up over the tube thinking about the night before too.

WHAT THE FUCK?

MEXICRAP

Photorito Lens Wrap, \$20, photojojo.com

GOOD: It's finally here, it's the protective lens wrap that looks like just like a burrito! Simply wrap your lens in the padded sleeve and a built-in band will

keep it in place.

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KESHIA

20, FROM NEWCASTLE **TUMBLR:** KAWAIIKESHIA.TUMBLR.COM

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A BEARD-LOVING MODEL WHO DOES HER OWN PHOTOS AND TATS? GEORDIE KESHIA HAS MANY HIDDEN TALENTS...

WHAT ARE YOU DOING RIGHT NOW?

I'm at home now, as I only just got in from uni!

DAY JOB: I go to uni and work in a bar at the weekend. I'm a photography student.

DREAM JOB: I would really love to work in a zoo with animals.

BEST THING ABOUT BEING A FRONT ALT GIRL?


FRONT is like the best magazine ever, so I'm really happy being a part of it.

TURN ONS: I really like nerdy guys. A geek with a really strong beard would be perfect.

TURN OFFS: Arrogant guys who talk about themselves all the time. Oh, and if they're chubby.

WHO DO YOU HAVE A CRUSH ON? Jake Gyllenhaal definitely. He has a beard.

GOT ANY TATTOOS/PIERCINGS?

Quite a few actually. I've got a mermaid on my foot and recently got a big tattoo on my leg of a Native 





**"I really
fancy
nerdy guys
with beards"**



"My perfect night out involves dressing up

American girl. I've got a lot of small ones that I've done myself. I've also got my ears stretched. I would never, ever take them out.

FAVOURITE ALBUM? Bombay Bicycle Club's last two albums.

FAVOURITE FOOD? Pizza or Happy Meals!

FAVOURITE BOOZE? Cider, I like cider. Woodpecker is the best.

FIRST GIG? When I was 13, I went to see Taking Back Sunday. I'm not very proud of that.

LAST GIG? It was Nero. It was like a big rave, so good.

PERFECT NIGHT OUT? Dressing up like animals and getting off your face.

PERFECT NIGHT IN? I like sleepovers with loads of horror films.

HIGH HEELS OR TRAINERS?

Definitely trainers. But thank God for heels because I'm five foot one.

WHO GETS WHAT IN YOUR WILL?

It can all just go on Ebay.

CLAIM TO FAME?

Justin Lee Collins smiled at me once.

SEXY/ MIND-BLOWING FACT

ABOUT YOU? I've danced most of my life so I'm pretty flexible now.

SECRET PASSION?

I love drum and bass, and dubstep. I'd love to be a DJ. **FRONT**





like animals
and getting **off my face"**



BELLE

18, DERBY

YOUR FIRST EVER GIG?

I'm not at all ashamed to say Busted! (Okay, maybe a little bit.)

WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

Munching on Mini Cheddars whilst

drooling at The Big Bang Theory – geeky boys are my guilty pleasure.

WHAT'S YOUR FAVE ALBUM EVER?

Always always Mötley Crüe - Dr. Feelgood.

ANYTHING YOU'RE ITCHING TO TELL US?

You should all put Jelly Tots in the freezer and then eat them!

BOOZE OF CHOICE?

Pink vodka or pink beer.

GEMMA HEBBLEWHITE

19, LINCOLN

YOUR PERFECT NIGHT OUT?

Getting totally hammered so that I don't have to buy any drinks, then dancing like a robot all night.

FAVOURITE ALBUM?

A Day To Remember, What Separates Me from You.

SECRET PASSION?

I would love to be a scientist. Most people that know me would laugh if they heard that.



SOPHIE SMITH

18, SOUTHAMPTON

SECRET PASSIONS?

Secretly, I love singing, although no-one knows this as I sound like a drowning cat. I would LOVE to go skydiving; that's my goal to do before I'm 30.



AMANDA ROURKE

24, COLUMBUS, OHIO

WHAT'S YOUR FAVOURITE ALBUM?

Otis Redding, The Dock of the Bay.

WHAT'S YOUR BOOZE OF CHOICE?

I'm a rum gal!

SO WE HEAR. GOT ANY SECRET PASSIONS?

I grew up near the ocean and have an incredible passion for the water.



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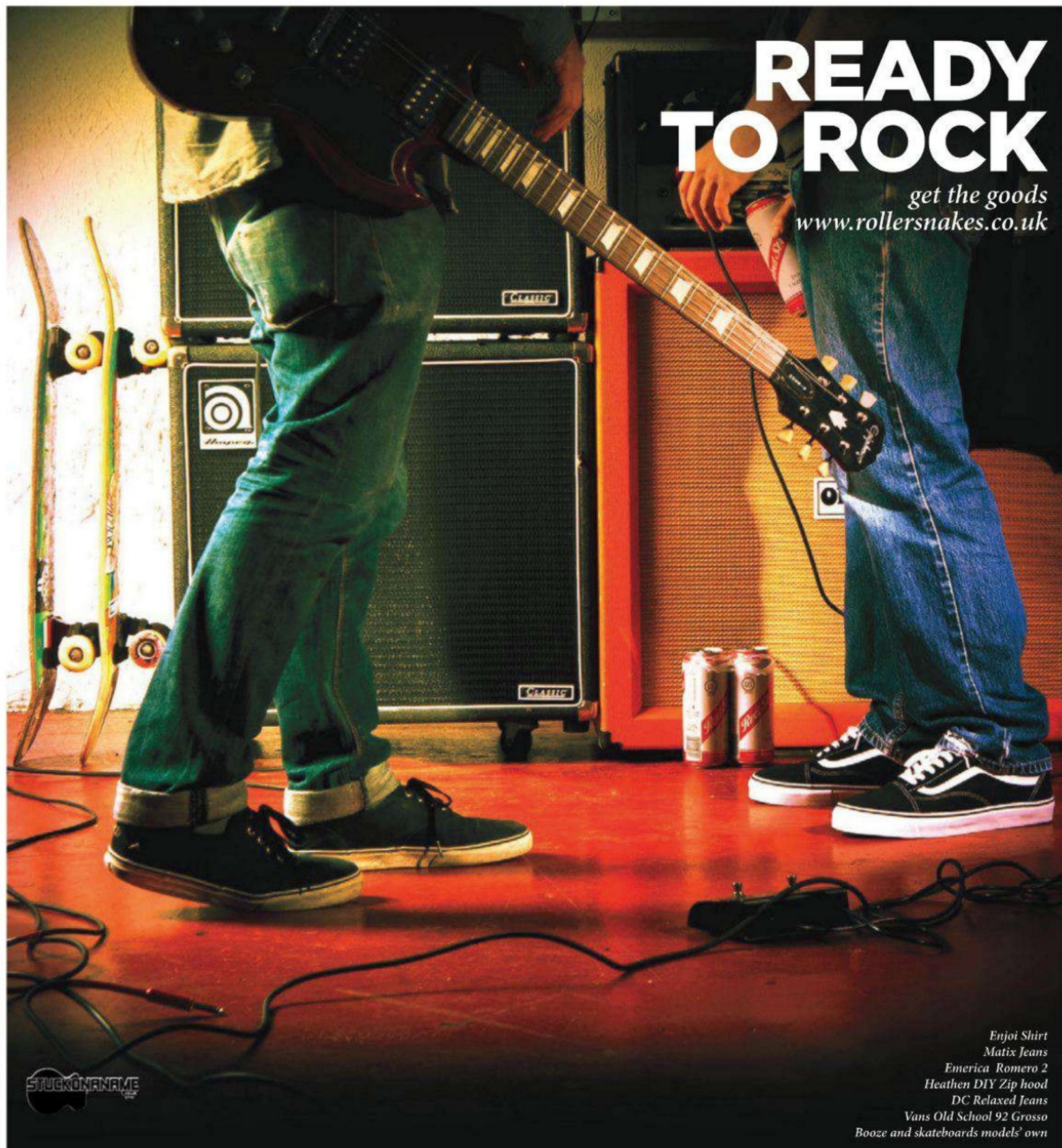


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MICHELLE ALEXANDER

20, SAN DIEGO, CA

WHAT'S YOUR PERFECT NIGHT?

Any crazy adventures, as long as it's something new and fun. It should involve: ice cream, beaches, beer, eating sushi, dancing, indie movies, driving

around, music, and kittens/puppies.

ANY TATTOOS OR PIERCINGS?

I have 8 piercings and a lot of tattoos.

BOOZE OF CHOICE?

Whiskey or beer - Little Sumpin' Wild from Lagunitas Brewery is mmm.



FULL FRONTAL



MISSY T

26, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE



DAWN STONE

19, CAMBRIDGE



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19, PLYMOUTH



IADA

21, LEICESTER

BOW BETT'S

24, ESSEX



WHAT ARE YOUR TATTOOS?

A half sleeve with a phoenix (I love mythology) and roses. I also have a sailor girl on the back of my leg.

GOT ANY SECRET PASSIONS?

Photography. I have won many competitions!



JANE DOE

21, CANTON, OHIO

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A-LIST PLAYLIST

DE LA SOUL

F.Y.I.

For their new record, Pos and Dave from De La Soul have adopted the alter-egos of Jacob and Deen, which is why halfway through this they change who they are. Confusing? You bet your ass!

EITHER TWO- OR FOUR-THIRDS OF HIP HOP'S FINEST FUN BOYS TALK US THROUGH THE BEATS THAT HAVE SHAPED THEIR SHIT.

1 THE BRIDGE MC SHAN



FOUND ON: Down by Law (1987)
POS SAYS: "This record let me see that you could take a drum sample, of the actual kicks and snares, programme it, and have it sound perfect."

FUN FACT: This track started off the Bridge Wars, a hip-hop rivalry between MC Shan and KRS-One. Hip-hop heads thought Shan was claiming the genre hailed from Queensbridge but after many long winded rap battles, it was revealed he wasn't saying this. Oops.

2 SOMEBODY COME OUT AND PLAY SESAME STREET



FOUND ON: The Sesame Street Book & Record (1970)
DAVE SAYS: "From childhood, this

was one of my favourite songs. It sounded like adults trying to sound like kids. My parents always listened to new music and classical, etc, so I was like 'Wow, here's a song that maybe isn't serious'. There was humour, there was a sense of fun, and silliness. It stuck with me."

FUN FACT: Joe Raposo, who wrote this, was best buds with Sinatra.

3 WALK ON BY ISSAC HAYES



FOUND ON: Hot Buttered Soul (1969)
POS SAYS: "This for me is just a really dope record. It comes

on and goes hard as hell before Isaac Hayes even comes in. It was more popular than the original Dionne Warwick version. And man, that intro, with the violins and the sass... Walk On By was just cool. Isaac Hayes was a fucking cool dude."

FUN FACT: On Isaac Hayes's original album, the title track clocks in at a too-long 12 minutes and 3 seconds.

4 BOOGIE NIGHTS HEATWAVE



FEATURED ON: Too Hot to Handle (1979)
DAVE SAYS: "This one reminds me of my childhood in

Brooklyn. I remember it not making any sense to me back then - is it pop? Is it soul? It even has jazz in. It's just a combination of so much - as a kid, I was like "They're trying to tell me this is disco, but there's a lot more going on..."

FUN FACT: In 1979 Heatwave's frontman Johnnie Wilder, Jr. was paralysed from the neck down after a dump truck struck his car. Shit, wait - that fact's not fun.

5 FLASH LIGHT PARLIAMENT



FOUND ON: Funkentelechy Vs. The Placebo Syndrome (1977)
POS SAYS: "This is an

amazing record, a funky record. It goes beyond just someone singing, it's like it becomes a character. It's like listening to a comic in the form of a funk record."

FUN FACT: Parliament fans started to bring flashlights to their concerts. The band eventually sold their own brand of flashlight at their shows.

6 CAN'T GET ENOUGH OF YOUR LOVE, BABE BARRY WHITE



FOUND ON: Barry White All Time Greatest Hits (1994)
DEEN SAYS: "I listen to my momma's records,

so of course I listen to Barry White. Why? It would be to remind him of his mother's love for Barry White's amazing music."

FUN FACT: Marine biologists have used White's music to encourage frigid sharks to reproduce.

7 LOOKS LIKE WE MADE IT BARRY MANILOW



FOUND ON: This One's for You (1976)
JACOB SAYS: "How wrong could you go with Barry

Manilow? He's so clean cut. He put out a message that you could just interpret the way you needed, people from the ghetto, from the suburbs, whatever, you can apply it to yourself. Also Barry Manilow is a pimp. He's on the game man."

FUN FACT: Barry Manilow enjoys sunbathing in the nude.

8 TENNIS DE LA SOUL



FOUND ON: First Serve (2012)
DEEN SAYS: "I love everything about it. The violins, every-

thing. It's a great song because there's me on it."
FUN FACT: "De La Soul's Plug 1 & Plug 2 Present First Serve" has been described as "the soundtrack to a movie that's yet to be written"

9 THE BIG BEAT BILLY SQUIER



FOUND ON: The Tale of the Tape (1980)
DAVE SAYS: "It just fucking shocked me. I'd never heard drums and the mic in rapport like that. This record showed what was possible. The first bit, that twelve seconds - that was a max record."

FUN FACT: This was sampled like a motherfucker - used by Dizzee Rascal, Run-DMC, Big Daddy Kane and Jay-Z amongst others.

10 EGO TRIPPIN' ULTRAMAGNETIC MCS



FOUND ON: Critical Beatdown (1988)
DAVE SAYS: "The way the two

guys rhymed, the vocabulary, it just made me feel like, 'Yeah, that crazy shit that I'm thinking, yeah I can say it.'
FUN FACT: Ultramagnetic MCs were founded by Kool Keith, the inventor of horrorcore.

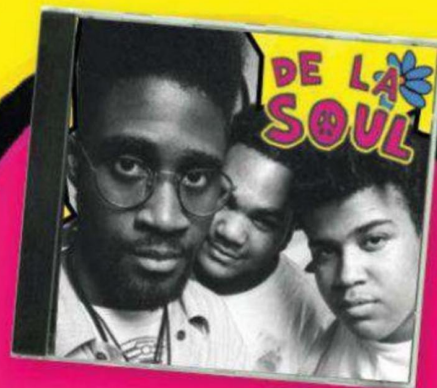
11 A SONG FOR YOU DONNY HATHAWAY



FOUND ON: Donny Hathaway (1971)
POS SAYS: "This is an amazing record. His voice is so full

of pain and regret. When I was younger, I just went "Wow."

FUN FACT: Covered by everyone from Ray Charles to Christina Aguilera to the late Amy Winehouse to big-eyebrowed actor Peter Gallagher, best known for playing Sandy on The O.C.



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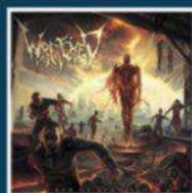
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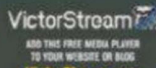
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SHAKESPEARE CARKS IT

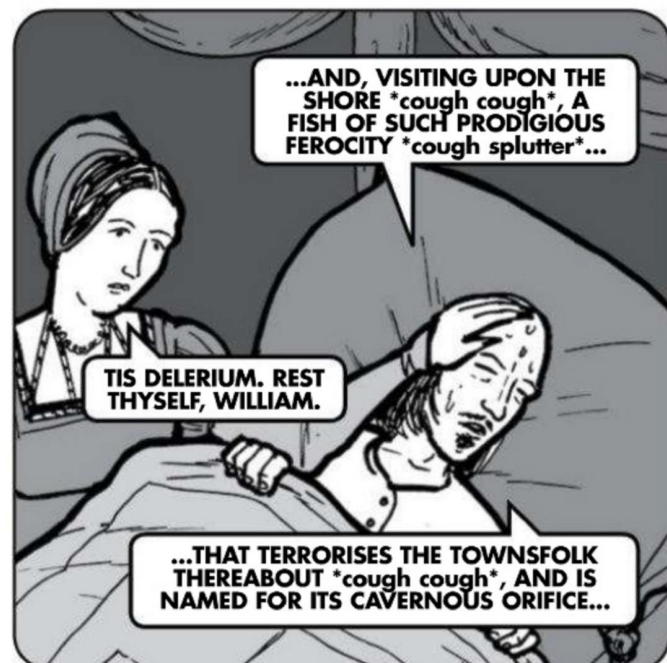
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FROM A YOUNG AGE, LITTLE BILLY SHAKESPEARE COULD WEAVE YARNS OF FAR GREATER DEPTH AND COMPLEXITY THAN ANY THAT HAD COME BEFORE.



BY HIS LATE 30S, SHAKESPEARE HAD FOUND FAME AND FORTUNE AS THE GREATEST DRAMATIST TO EVER PUT INKY QUILL TO DUSTY PARCHMENT.



EVEN UPON HIS DEATH BED, SHAKESPEARE'S TALENT FOR VIVID AND EMOTIONALLY CHARGED STORYTELLING COULD NOT BE SILENCED.

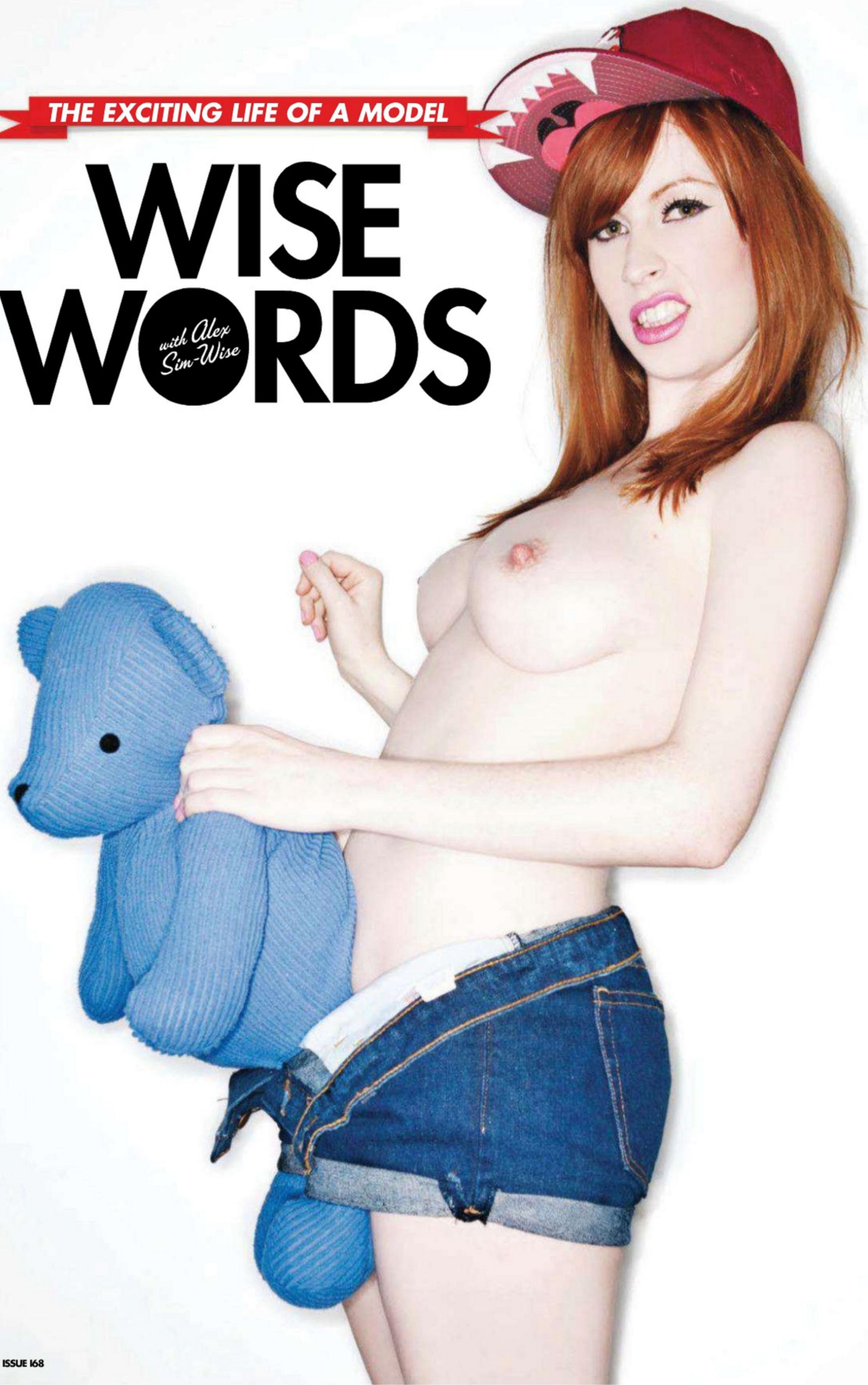


CENTURIES LATER, THEATRE AUDIENCES ACROSS THE GLOBE ARE STILL ENRAPPED BY SHAKESPEARE'S TIMELESS TALES OF LOVE AND LOSS.

THE EXCITING LIFE OF A MODEL

WISE WORDS

*with Alex
Sim-Wise*



INSTA-SIM

Here are some shots from my bad-ass Instagram, on which I'm called @simwise.



In Berlin, definitely not for porn.



Brushing teeth is important.



Ah... time for tea?

This month's AMAZING ADVENTURES

Multitasking Like a Winner

Getting made-up for my shoot AND knitting at the same time. Living the dream!



What's For Lunch?

... Wotsits, ham sandwich, Capri-Sun... and the wee from my fake penis!! Eat it, champ.



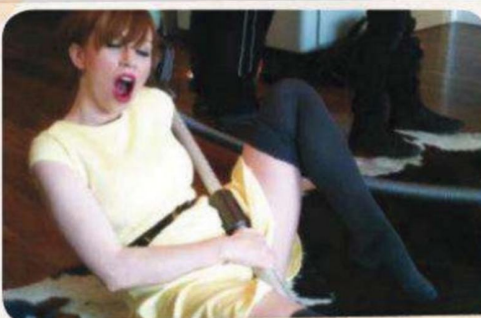
Bodystockings Never Look Good

When I first started modelling I used to model bodystockings. They never make you look good.



Becky Oiling Me Up In The Cold

I felt like the kid at school who forgot their P.E. kit. It was so cold my nipples almost fell off.



Overexcited For Housework

I don't get it. I really, really hate hoovering and I don't have a dick so I can't use it for wanking.

Sim-Wise

I WENT TO GERMANY

THIS MONTH SAW me flying over to Berlin on the AIDS of all airlines, Ryanair, to shoot a music video for German goth-rockers Oomph! As you can tell from my glowing review, the flight was quite a traumatic ordeal, akin to what a sardine or battery hen might feel like if they were 1,000 feet up in the sky. It was made even better by an argument I started on the way in, when one of their employees tried to charge me £50 to put my bag in the hold for being 11b overweight. Probably not my proudest moment, but it was 5am and I hadn't slept.

Thankfully I did a lot of sleeping in Berlin and drank a lot of Desperados, which made it all better. I got driven off to a warehouse

that looked straight out of Hostel to shoot the video. I was really hoping it wouldn't be a snuff film or a scat thing, as I know Germans love a bit of poo. Luckily it was all 'very much above board' and everyone was lovely. The band spent most of their time dressed as transvestite strippers – I even got to watch one of them deep-throat a banana. It was a very random music video, and will probably look really cool once it's finished (I haven't seen it yet), but it was a bit of a weird one to film. I started off dressed up as Britney Spears circa 1998 in a school girl uniform and was asked to pose with the guys on leashes like they were my dogs, then things got weirder and weirder until I found myself watching band members get dressed up as sperm and covered in milk. They definitely drew the short straw.

In my downtime from filming I did some knitting and made friends with a big Bavarian guy called Alex, who took pictures of me with a fake penis pretending to wee on someone's lunch, like I was a magical

Rainbow Brite in a Kosovan shell suit. I also taught myself how to pick carrier bags up with a strap-on dildo. Ah, the skills you pick up on video shoots! Before you ask, it wasn't a porn. You'll have to watch the video for me as I'm too scared. What a strange day.

So Long, Farewell...

I should announce that I am leaving FRONT, and that this is my last column. It will be sad to leave these two pages behind after five years and 65 issues of mentalness and I will miss it loads... but before I get maudlin and start quoting Freddy Mercury make sure you come back NEXT month for my big mega shoot where I say goodbye PROPERLY.

Incidentally, I have a great t-shirt of Freddie with cocks in his eyes, it's my favourite.

I love you all,

*Sim Wise
xxx*

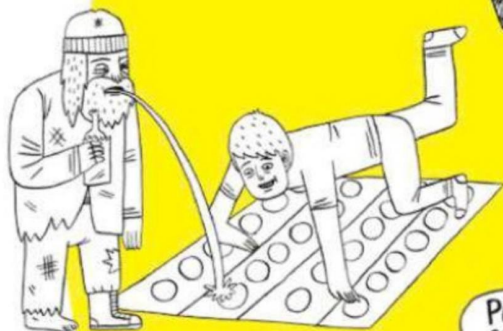


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GOOD SHIT

THE DISCOVERY OF LADIES' BACKS AND SHOULDERS

After a long, long winter, tops are getting smaller and it's hard not to feel like you've just been released from Cellblock H.



PHLEGM TWISTER

This is a hypothetical game where you need a Twister mat and a tramp. The tramp spits, and you go by where it lands, and what colour it is. Right foot yellow, etc. Don't ever play this, it sounds disgusting.



WRITING IN DIRT ON CARS

Dicks etched into dust with a slightly-scared finger are the best.



SAYING FOREIGN WORDS IN A FOREIGN ACCENT

If you say "I had a pain au chocolat from Pret A Manger" in a French accent, you feel clever but sound shite. If you say it in a British accent, you feel stupid and sound shite. But you've eaten chocolate for breakfast.

DON'T-GIVE-A-SHIT 1950S DETECTIVES

There was a guy called Mike Hammer, in books by Mickey Spillane, who used to kick people in the nuts so hard they threw up. Amazing.



FARTING WHILE JUMPING TO CATCH SOMETHING

Yes, yes, a thousand times yes!

HOT MOIST TOWELS IN RESTAURANTS

What the fuck are you meant to do? Sucking the water out is disgusting, but washing your pits with them gets you funny looks. Useless.

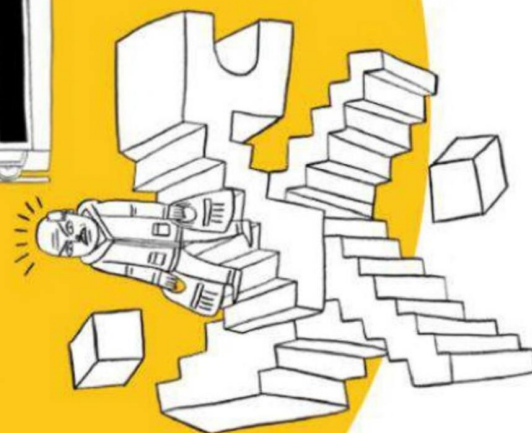


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If we ever meet the soppy-bollocksed twat playing the guitar on those adverts, we're shoving it so far up his arse that his balls fall out his eyes and he cries in tune.

BULLSHIT INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES ON BLACKBOARDS

"It's nice to be important, but more important to be nice". Yeah, but you know what's most important? Get the goddamn coffee, dicksplash.



ESCALATORS GOING UP, STAIRS GOING DOWN

Great. Popping briefly into a shop has turned into a labyrinth in which you're trapped by your own laziness. Gravity helps, you lazy fuck.

PORN-BASED PARANOIA

What if you die without clearing your internet history and emptying your cache? Everyone will know what you're into. And you're into some weeeeeeeeeird stuff...

BAD SHIT

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FRONT'S FAVE BELGIAN IS BACK AND A LITTLE BIT INCREDIBLE GROEZROCK

WHAT: 28-29 April, Meerhout, Belgium groezrock.be

WHO'S THERE: If newly reformed big hitters Refused and Verse are exciting you to the point of foaming at the cock, it's best we don't tell you about Rancid, Lagwagon, Gorilla Biscuits, Thrice, Parkway Drive and The Bronx playing as well, as you may well get too pumped and die.

WHY IT'S ACE: It's a fucking belter! So much so that FRONT has taken control of the Friday night to throw early-comers the biggest and bestest party ever. Hell, are we excited.

THE GIRLS WILL: Be fucking impressed if you can get them into the sick VIP area, so make best buds with festival organiser Hans. Hans is a bloody nice man. If you see him, high five him. You go, Hans.

UK EQUIVALENT: **HEVY FESTIVAL** 3-6 August heavy.co.uk

The loudest thing in Kent just got a whole load louder with Verse making their way from Groezrock to Hevy alongside heavyweight headliners Converge as well as The Chariot, our new best mates from page 110. Even if it's chained to your skull, you'll lose your freakin' mind.

PHILIPPINES SMASH FESTIVALS

PULP SUMMER SLAM

WHAT: 28 April in Manila, Philippines

pulpmagazinelive.com

WHO'S THERE: Scary lady-fronted Arch Enemy with August Burns Red, Bless The Fall, Darkest Hour and We Came As Romans.

WHY IT'S ACE: For a big-ass lineup of metal like that, you'll have to part with 400 Philippine Pesos. That's six quid. Fucking hell. Big spenders can part with £70 for a VIP pass that includes a special lounge area, open bar and free pizza. Hey everyone, let's go!

GET WASTED ON: Basi, the pale red booze made from sugar

cane that has its very own festival and national holiday in its honour. Fuck, the Philippines do everything right.

UK EQUIVALENT: **CRASH DOUBT**

2 June lincolnista.com/crashdoubt

With Sonisphere doing a big shit on our plans, try Crash Doubt. OK, so the pizza is paid for and the weather is pissier, but it's dead cheap and the lineup's strong. Brutality Will Prevail, Last Witness, Hang The Bastard and Polar will get you forgetting all about the free pepperoni.

BECAUSE B'S BATSHIT BONKERS BUT BLOODY BRILLIANT

THE BAMBOOZLE

WHAT: May 18-20 in New Jersey, USA thebamboozle.com

WHO'S THERE: You've got one helluva roster when Blink-182 are playing but aren't your headliners. Taking the top spot is Skrillex, Foo Fighters, and Bon Jovi, with Brand New, A\$AP Rocky, Jimmy Eat World, Mac Miller and Incubus too. Huge.

WHY IT'S ACE: The whole organization is a crackers acid trip, with fictional characters withholding information, such as a haggard clown called Linc keeping a 'Very Special Guest' on the Sunday secret and a hide-and-seek loving Bob The Builder-bumming idiot called Scoop McDroop leaking exclusives.

GET WASTED ON: You're in the States surrounded by super-cool punk fan girls, so look cool with a sixer of Pabst Blue Ribbon beer. Red Cups optional, but we bet our angry liver it's trendy enough to have stacks of the bastards floating about.

UK EQUIVALENT: **READING AND LEEDS** 24-26 August readingfestival.com

It kinda pains us to say it, but the only place we'll be seeing a line-up of this proportion is at the evil festival overlord Reading And Leeds. Head there to see Foo Fighters, Paramore, You Me At Six and Odd Future.

VEGAS AND PUNK ROCK AND BOWLING. 'NUFF SAID.

PUNK ROCK BOWLING

WHAT: 25-28 May in Las Vegas, USA

punkrockbowling.com

WHO'S THERE: An absolute slugger of a line up that includes Rancid, NOFX, Hot Water Music and Pennywise. A jackpot, if ever we've seen one. We haven't, mind. We suck balls at gambling.

WHY IT'S ACE: Mother truckin' punk rock, in mother truckin' Las Vegas, with mother truckin' bowling tournaments. There's not a lot more we can add to that to make it sound any more amazing. Perhaps free pizza and boobie-looking competitions.

THE GIRLS WILL: Love a dude with a fat wedge in his pocket and, from what we've heard, there's nothing like that in your trousers to impress. Create a fake business card with your title as Super Lord Of Every Bank In The World And Owner Of Your Dad and the ladies'll throw their chests in your face.

UK EQUIVALENT: **SLAM DUNK FESTIVAL**

26-27 May, Hatfield slamdunkmusic.com

Slam Dunk takes place at the almost-as-fun uni unions of Leeds and Herts and has a punk rock lineup that's still churning our juices for less than £40. Think Taking Back Sunday, Motion City Soundtrack and ETID with the added bonus of not plunging into a life of gambling debt.

GUS WOOD YOUNG GUNS

"Groezrock was one of our first European festival experiences. The sun was blazing and Europe was still really new to us at the time. From The Swellers to Ghost Of A Thousand, it was full of bands we loved. Lots of booze was consumed too early and we were asked to DJ in the Eastpak tent. We set about emptying not only the dance floor but the tent itself, with just the five of us dancing around in Eastpak swag to Andrew W.K. on repeat. Good times."

CHRIS #2 ANTI-FLAG

"I love playing Warped Tour. Having done the tour several times, it's comfortable. We know how to survive on it and keep healthy. There are always smart kids who are stoked on punk rock. You couldn't ask for any more."



MAY - JUNE

PINK BECOMES THE NEW METAL PINKPOP

WHAT: 26-28 May in Landgraaf, Holland pinkpop.nl
WHO'S THERE: Man-riffing bastards including Kyuss Lives!, Mastodon, Soundgarden and Linkin Park.
WHY IT'S ACE: Everyone seems super-friendly and weed is as easy to get hold of as your own willy stick. We're predicting one of the most spectacular moshpits to Mastodon's Blood And Thunder we've ever seen.
GET WASTED ON: You're not really in Holland unless you're huffing on a fat Mary Jane Ganga Doobie Spliff.
UK EQUIVALENT: **DOWNLOAD** 08-10 June downloadfestival.co.uk
 With the bands above sexing up an already fucking mammoth roster that includes Metallica at Download, if you can't get your clogs out to Holland, drag your ass to Donington Park.

COOL AS SHIT BARCA BRO DOWN PRIMAVERA

WHAT: 30 May-3 June in Barcelona, Spain sanmiguelprimaverasound.es
WHO'S THERE: Hot property hip hopper A\$AP Rocky sets the tone for a cooler-than-you line up that includes

The Black Lips, Death Cab For Cutie, The XX, Trash Talk, Real Estate and Death Grips.
WHY IT'S ACE: This is a huge week-long summer party in the centre of one of Europe's brilliantest cities with events. And we like parties. Loads. It may cost £150 but it's worth it, serious.
GET WASTED ON: Delicious icy cold sponsors San Miguel.
UK EQUIVALENT: **WIRELESS** 6 July // wirelessfestival.co.uk
 Head to London to catch skill motherfucker A\$AP Rocky spitting in our capital amongst other big hitters like Drake, Rihanna, Nicki Minaj and big electro spinners Knife Party.

LOUD BY NAME LOUD BY NATURE LOUD FESTIVAL

WHAT: 2-3 June in Sofia, Bulgaria loudfestival.bg
WHO'S THERE: Jens Kidman of Meshuggah doing that gurning face you see in all his photos with our mate Nergal from Behemoth. Oh, and some band that goes by the name of Slayer, apparently?
WHY IT'S ACE: For a brand-new festival to the scene, Loud Festival has somehow managed to get a pretty huge line up. We're all about backing the little guy, only until they grow big enough to punch your eyes off, though.
THE GIRLS WILL: Be classic metal fans, able to nail a beer faster than you and think you're Harry Potter. You'll be in Euro-lady heaven.
UK EQUIVALENT: **BLOODSTOCK** 10-12 August bloodstock.uk.com
 Did we mention we were mates with Behemoth's Nergal from back in the

last issue? We did? He's rolling out to Bloodstock with more metal than you can fit in a fat man's house. Think Alice Cooper, Testament, Sepultura and Hatebreed. There will be blood.

VORSPRUNG DURCH KICK ASS NOVA ROCK

WHAT: 8-10 June Nickelsdorf, Austria novarock.at
WHO'S THERE: The strongest line up the world has seen, with Cypress Hill, The Offspring, Linkin Park, Slayer, Metallica, Machine Head, Marilyn Manson and Refused. Wow.
WHY IT'S ACE: Just like Download, Metallica are playing the Black Album from start to finish.
GET WASTED ON: Really massive beers. One litre is called a Maß, and a two litre is called a Doppelmaß.
UK EQUIVALENT: **ATP I'LL BE YOUR MIRROR** 25 May, atpfestival.com
 If watching Slayer and rap-hop on the same stage gets your balls full, then look to ATP I'll Be Your Mirror at Alexandra Place. The metal giants are headlining with Reign In Blood being played in full, with the fucking heavy rap group Death Grips further down the bill.

JAKE BUNDRICK

MAYDAY PARADE

"Soundwave festival in Australia is probably the best festival we've ever been a part of. It feels like the best vacation you've ever been on. I can't wait to do it again. Watching Bring Me The Horizon do the wall of death in Perth was insane. I'm surprised no one was killed or severely injured."



JUSTIN COLLIER

MAN OVERBOARD

"I really enjoyed playing at Fluff Fest in the Czech Republic. It is such an eclectic festival of all types of punk and hardcore bands, from Man Overboard to Ceremony, Polar Bear Club to 50 Lions, Touché Amoré to La Dispute and more. It's awesome, although extremely muddy."



NOT-SO-FAMILY FRIENDLY FESTIVALS

KISS GOODBYE TO YOUR EARS, AND PROBABLY YOUR LIFE, AHEAD OF THESE FOUR MONSTERS

BANG YOUR HEAD!!!

WHAT: 13 July in Balingen, Germany

ANGRY BANDS THERE: Warbringer, Suicidal Angels, Pain
FLYER METAL RATING ★★★★★
UNFRIENDLY RATING ★★★★★

OBSCENE EXTREME

WHAT: 11 July in Trutnov, Czech Republic

ANGRY BANDS THERE: Exhumed, Internal Suffering, Dead
FLYER METAL RATING ★★★★★
UNFRIENDLY RATING ★★★★★

KILL TOWN DEATH FEST

WHAT: 31 August in Copenhagen, Denmark

ANGRY BANDS THERE: Undead Creep, Voids Of Vomit, Corpessed
FLYER METAL RATING ★★★★★
UNFRIENDLY RATING ★★★★★

BRUTAL ASSAULT

WHAT: 8 August in Josefov, Czech Republic

ANGRY BANDS THERE: Hatebreed, Pig Destroyer, Toxic Holocaust
FLYER METAL RATING ★★★★★
UNFRIENDLY RATING ★★★★★



LUKE
PREBBLE
CANTERBURY

"The only festival we've played outside of the UK is Powerfest in Amsterdam. It's right by the canals which is real nice, although a bit dangerous. We didn't witness it ourselves, but the story goes that somebody's road speaker cabinet made its way to the bottom of the canal during a heavy rain. After being



JUNE

LOUD LEDERHOSEN LOVERS
GREENFIELD FESTIVAL

WHAT: 15-17 June in Interlaken, Switzerland
greenfieldfestival.ch

WHO'S THERE: A bit of a blinder with Limp Bizkit, The Offspring, In Flames, Sepultura, Bury Tomorrow, Emmure and, surprise surprise, festival hussies Refused as well as a load more good shit. Honest, it's great.

WHY IT'S ACE: It's sponsored by Lidl. Lidl sponsoring a punk rock and metal festival. That's funny.

GET WASTED ON: Delicious, wheaty, huge weissbier. They're the white beers that come in super cool tall glasses that you find in posh boozers, so you'll feel like fucking royalty. Opt for an Erdinger or Franziskaner, and you'll be King Of Booze.

UK EQUIVALENT: **GHOSTFEST**
30 June facebook.com/ghostfest
Head to Leeds Uni for the blistering chug chug chugging of metalcore giants Emmure as headliners, flanked by Your Demise, All Shall Perish, Comeback Kid, Defeater, Polar, Departures and Continents.

NORWEGIAN SHINDIG THAT'S SICKER
THAN A VIKING SICK PARTY
SLOTTSFJELL

WHAT: 19-21 June in Tonsberg, Norway, slottsfjell.no

WHO'S THERE: The newly-fronted Gallows head over to win back the Scandinavians after pulling out last year, alongside Nightwish, Wolfmother and Chase & Status.

WHY IT'S ACE: Hey, any festival that translates to 'Beast' is definitely going to tickle our hairy fancies.

THE GIRLS WILL: Be too pretty and cool for you to look at without your face turning inside out with shame.

UK EQUIVALENT: 2000TREES

12-14 July
twothousandtreesfestival.co.uk
If you prefer your fjords in the garage, then don't cry yourself to sleep at missing Gallows tearing a festival stage from the arse. They're hitting 2000trees in Gloucestershire with 65daysofstatic and Rolo Tomassi.

METALLICA, METALLICA
AND METALLICA
ORION MUSIC

WHAT: 23-24 June in New Jersey, USA
orionmusicandmore.com

WHO'S THERE: We have no idea how they got them to headline both nights, but Metallica top the bill. Twice. In the same place. WHUT THU FUJUK? Also, Fucked Up, Best Coast and A7X.

WHY IT'S ACE: It's run by Metallica. It's run by fucking Metallica, man! If that's not good enough for you, see a doctor. He'll slap you hard and call you an idiot.

THE GIRLS WILL: look just like the dudes: long curly hair, dressed in black, sweaty back patches and big breasts.

UK EQUIVALENT:
TRAMLINES

20-22 July tramlines.org.uk
Continuing the rockstar-curated theme, Rolo Tomassi takes on Sheffield's Tramlines Festival with a roster that includes 65daysofstatic, Chew Lips, Future Of The Left and themselves.

PICTURESQUE ISLAND GETS
SOME DURRRTY BEATZ
HIDEOUT FESTIVAL

WHAT: 29 June-1 July, Island Of Pag, Croatia,
hideoutfestival.com

WHO'S THERE: The wub wub wubbing and skeeewrow wub wubbing of Skrillex, Annie Mac, Sub Focus, Chase & Status, High Contrast, DJ Fresh and SBTRKT. Your head will be rattling for days. WUB WUB WUB.

WHY IT'S ACE: Boat parties!

There's going to be 16 ocean-going floaters setting sail, with Annie Mac captaining her own. What could possibly go wrong, in the middle of the ocean, with loads of booze, and idiot drunks pilled out of their little minds on board? All aboard!

THE GIRLS WILL: Be neon'd up to fuck, removing any chance of knowing whether you'll be waking up next to one that's proper fit or super shit. It's exciting! It's a game! Fun!

UK EQUIVALENT: **SOUTH WEST FOUR**

25-26 August southwestfour.com
London's Clapham Common gets a rattling as the yummy mummy, stuffy yuppy-filled district of the capital is turned to the bestest bass-heavy festival for miles.

This year's number one festival slut Skrillex makes an exclusive London appearance, with Chase And Status, Flux Pavilion and Skream & Benga trashing ears as well.

JAMES SPENCE**ROLO TOMASSI**

"Lowlands in Holland and Pukkelpop in Belgium both had very, very good catering. It was restaurant quality food with a huge choice for the meat-eaters and veggies in our band. I'd usually go for soup to start followed by something warm for main and cake for dessert. We were so spoiled for choice!"

LUKE PREBBLE**CANTERBURY**

"The only festival we've played outside of the UK is Powerfest in Amsterdam. It's right by the canals. We didn't witness it, but the story goes that a 4x10 speaker made its way into the canal during load in. After being fished back out, it still worked! Fair play, Marshall engineering."

**BAT-SHIT
BONKERS
FESTIVALS**

DO YOU LIKE YOUR FESTIVALS WITH
AN EXTRA HELPING OF CRAZY?
TRY THESE ON FOR SIZE...

**MONKEY BUFFET
FESTIVAL**

25th November, Thailand
Wanna get back at the monkey that spunked through your window at Longleat? Then head to Thailand's Monkey Buffet Festival in Lopburi Province where they feed baboons until they're fat in the face.

**ONBASHIRA
FESTIVAL**

TBC in 2016 in Japan
Nothing sounds better than riding a massive log down the side of a mountain in front of a million Japanese onlookers. NOTHING. Even the splinters the size of fence posts and death would be worth it.

**GATHERING OF
THE JUGGALOS**

8th August in Illinois, USA
You know that lazy fat uncle who's loud, obnoxious and a smelly drunk? Imagine a festival where he's lorded as a king, and soundtracked to the re-DICK-ulous noise of Insane Clown Posse.



JULY - AUGUST

BEACHES, CASTLES AND GUNS 'N' ROSES

EXIT

WHAT: 12-15 July in Novi Sad, Serbia Exitfestival.org

WHO'S THERE: Guns N' Roses, New Order, Wolfmother

WHY IT'S ACE: Exit is set in the shadow of a medieval fortress, so you can wear one of those slitty medieval helmets to perv on lots of girls splashing about in the water.

GET WASTED ON: Serbian Rakia, the naughty skull-crushing spirit that can exceed 60% abv. It's cheap as piss.

UKEQUIVALENT: **BOARDMASTERS**

8-12 August boardmasters.co.uk

If the idea of drunkenly passing out in shitty mud is keeping you away, then why not collapse on a lovely nice sandy beach at Newquay's Boardmasters? The girls will be in bikinis and vomit is loads easier to bury in sand than it is in mud. FACT.

LIVES UP TO THE HIKE
FUJI ROCK FESTIVAL

WHAT: 27-30 July in Niigata, Japan smash-uk.com/frf12

WHO'S THERE: Hey, who remembers when everyone forgot about At The Drive-In reforming after Refused stole their thunder? Well unforget and catch Omar, Cedric and co here alongside The Stone Roses, Radiohead, Justice and Explosions In The Sky.

WHY IT'S ACE: Fuji Rock had the unluckiest start to its life ever. Not only did headliners The Red Hot Chili Peppers have a broken-armed Anthony Kiedis, but it was struck by a bitchin' typhoon, too.

THE GIRLS WILL: Be fucking grouchy and exhausted. Being up a mountain, walks between the stages is a massive pain up the dickhole.

UKEQUIVALENT: **THE GREAT**

ESCAPE 10 May escapegreat.com

If you like walking miles and miles between stages, then head to Brighton and The Great Escape. There, over 300 acts are taking over the sunny/seedy seaside town, including FRONT bezzies Hawk Eyes, We Are The Ocean, Rolo Tomassi, Don Broco and Lower Than Atlantis.

SUPER POSI OUT IN AUSSIE
SPLENDOUR IN THE GRASS

WHAT: 27-29 July, Byron Bay, Australia

splendourinthegrass.com

WHO'S THERE: SITG has a pick-and-megamix of bands including Kanye West, The Mars Volta, The Living End, Jane's Addiction, Mogwai and DJ Shadow. Hey, there's something there for everyone, unless you hate everything, like we do.

WHY IT'S ACE: It takes place in Byron Bay, one of Australia's sickest beachside towns, where you end up hitting on that one big family holiday everyone goes on.

THE GIRLS WILL: Not be super-fit, surfer-type bikini-clad hotties. Not one bit. You probably should stay in your tent while we go meet them.

UKEQUIVALENT: **WAKESTOCK**

6-8 July wakestock.co.uk

If being surrounded by water-loving beach fitties is your thing, head for



this Welsh wakeboarding festival where the girls'll be just as hard to understand but just as pretty, too.

JAPAN'S LINE UP THAT'S BIGGER THAN GODZILLA
SUMMER SONIC

WHAT: 18 August in Tokyo, Japan Summersonic.com

WHO'S THERE: A mēlée of family friendly acts, including Green Day, Rihanna, Death Cab For Cutie, Passion Pit and Gym Class Heroes.

WHY IT'S ACE: It's in the land of all things mad, huge and neon, so you won't need to worry about smuggling your mind-poking substances into the country to get all trippy.

GET WASTED ON: Sake Bombs. It's the same as a Jager Bomb but, like, with Sake. It's pretty horrible.

UKEQUIVALENT: **BESTIVAL**

6-9 September bestival.net

Teen-friendly chart-bumming pop-rock on the Isle Of Wight, and with a fork for your gravy and chips instead of chopsticks. Featuring Hot Chip, Friendly Fires, Two Door Cinema Club and headliners New Order, you'll come back all happy instead of so tired you want to die in a hole.

JAMES MATTOCK

SHARKS

"Summer Sonic Festival is organized to a T and the hospitality is extraordinary. The organizers make you feel that they are privileged for having you play but the pleasure is yours. We opened the main stage and, even at 11am, the 10,000 that had shown up were giving it their all in the boiling sun."

SOUVENIR SCROUNGER

WANNA GO AWOL FOR A FEW MONTHS AND HIT EACH OF THE FESTIVALS WE'VE JUST BIGGED UP? DON'T FORGET TO GRAB A FEW TACKY SOUVENIRS! HERE ARE A FEW CUT-PRICE IDEAS.

EMPTY CHIP CONE

Japan
This'll pass beautifully as the tooth of Godzilla or any other monster beast. Ketchup will add a bloody touch.

BRUISE

Holland
Everyone'll expect you to be doing the weed in Holland, so pull a ROFL on your friends by saying you got 'stoned' before pulling out a pebble-sized bruise on your noggin. Hilarious!

SNOW

Serbia
You'll have a bit of a job finding the icy shit in the summer months but hey, there's loads of it in the winter in Serbia and it's mother fuckin' free. If all else fails, collect festival dandruff.

MISSING LIMB

Australia
It costs shit all to cut off your arm, and you'll have women swarming you once you tell them a kangaroo punched it off while partying in the outback.

GREASY SHOES

USA
You can frame your stinky kicks and tell your mates you battled Adam Richman from Man Vs Food in the 100 Festival AIDS Pizza challenge.



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GABRIELLA AND KITTY ARE WEARING A LOT
LESS. BRING ON THE SUNSHINE...**

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KITTY X GABRIELLA

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QUICK FIRE

KITTY

**SUNSHINE OR
MOONSHINE?**

Moonshine.

**BIKINI OR SWIM
SUIT?**

Bikinis, for sure.

**POLO SHIRTS OR
POLO MINTS?**

Definitely the
peppermint Polo
mints, they were a big
part of my childhood.

**OUTDOORS OR
INDOORS?**

For what? Er, indoors.

BENSON OR HEDGES?

I've got no idea,
Marlboro lights all
the way.

**MASTERCHEF OR
MASTER CHIEF?**

Master Chief, cos my
mum likes panpipe
music and Red
Indians.

BBQ OR LOL?

BBQ definitely all the
way.



HEY KITTY! HOW'S

LIFE TREATING YOU?

Life's really good thank you. Nothing much has changed, apart from

perhaps me taking up archery...

ANOTHER STRING TO YOUR BOW?

Yeah, it's loads of fun. I used to do it when I was younger. I've done a bit of horse riding, too.

THEY'RE TWO MEDIEVAL HOBBIES.

IS THAT THE NEW LOOK FOR 2012?

Er, no.

GREAT! HOW NICE WAS IT BEING OUTDOORS FOR A SHOOT?

Ah, so good. The water balloons were horrible though, I kept having them thrown at me and they just bounced off my chest. Me and Gabriella were so scared. A cat scratched me, too. I'm definitely at one with nature.

WHAT WAS THE BEST THING YOU LEARNT ABOUT GABRIELLA?

It sounds a bit wet, but she has really awesome skin! I told her that.

SHE SAID 'KITTY MADE ME DO THIS AND I DIDN'T WANT TO'...

Oh, was it when I tried to camo roll and throw a fly swatter at her? For the record, she was meant to catch it.

WE WERE ONLY MAKING SHIT UP.

I was bringing a bit of action movie to the shoot. Yeah, I'm a weirdo. I think I felt quite high while we were shooting.

WHO WOULD YOU THROW A WATER BALLOON AT?

Er, there's quite a few that'd get it, but let's say Megan Fox.

WHAT'S SHE EVER DONE TO YOU?

No, nothing! I'd just like to see her in a soaking t-shirt with her nipples on.

NICE. WITH SUMMER AROUND THE CORNER, WHERE IN THE WORLD WOULD YOU WANNA SEE?

I went to St. Barts, and I'd really like to go back. Everyone is super cool and laid back. They serve the best booze out there, too.

LIKE WHAT?

Strawberry Daiquiris. I've developed a Strawberry Daiquiri obsession. I'm gonna be getting through quite a few of those this summer.

WHAT'S THE WORST PLACE YOU'VE BEEN CAUGHT WITH NO CLOTHES ON?

The trick to public nudity is to never get caught. Bear that in mind before you down your trousers.





COVER GIRLS
KITTY X GABRIELLA





HI GABRIELLA, THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN THE MAG – TELL US A BIT ABOUT YOURSELF.

Okay. I'm Welsh, I lived in London while studying fashion, but that went tits up so I'm now in Bristol. I'm doing taxidermy while working as a "visual merchandiser", which is just a fancy name for dressing up mannequins. But, taxidermy's like my obsession.

AMAZING. WHAT'S THE BIGGEST THING YOU'VE STUFFED?

So far, a fox. They're pretty big. It takes ages. You have to take the coat off, and put it in a washing machine to wash it out and get rid of the fat. Then it's literally just a coat, and you fill it with polystyrene, although in the olden days it was sawdust. I'm constantly on the lookout for roadkill, so if you ever come round my house, don't look in the freezer.

HOW DID YOU GET INTO THAT?

I've always liked animals and I like dead stuff, so why not link the two together? I recently got given a stuffed Chinese bird-eating spider, which is massive and awesome.

WHAT'S THE THING YOU'D MOST LIKE TO STUFF?

A human being. Is that illegal?

NOT SURE - ASK A LAWYER.

Well, when my dad dies, he wants me to stuff him. Don't people do that in wakes and stuff, when they stand people up in the coffins?

ER, NO...

Well, maybe I'm gonna start a massive, exciting underground movement of stuffing people.

IF YOU WERE TO BE STUFFED, WHAT POSE WOULD YOU BE IN?

Probably some kind of sexual one, like with my hands just heading downstairs in a bit of a tease. I'd be a stuffed tease, teasing people forever from beyond the grave.











QUICK FIRE

GABRIELLA

HEDGES OR FENCES?

Hedges – they're full of cool bugs.

LAWNS OR DRIVEWAYS?

Lawns, they're more fun to roll around on.

INDOORS OR OUTDOORS?

Outdoors, I'm an exhibitionist.

WATER BALLOONS OR HAND

GRENADES?

Water balloons, they're less dangerous.

POLO SHIRTS OR POLO MINTS?

Both. Polo shirts are more comfortable, but Polo mints taste better.



ANDREW W.K.



SOLVES THE WORLD'S PROBLEMS

WE LIVE IN DARK TIMES. WHO BETTER TO FIX THIS SEMI-BROKEN PLANET OF OURS THAN PROFESSIONAL PARTIER ANDREW W.K.?

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Unsafe SEX

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS:

"If you're going to have unprotected sex, you have to ask, point blank, 'Do you have diseases? Are you going to take years off my life?' You want to make sure they are prepared to deal with the consequences. Really, no matter how great the pleasure is, waking up the next day with all kinds of questions or (in the worst-case scenario) a really nightmarish disease is just not worth it. And if it is worth it, you must have had the best orgasm ever. There probably are people out there that have had an orgasm worth dying for."



ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS:

"I like what people call junk food. Taco Bell, McDonald's, Burger King, Wendy's, Walkers, Cadbury, Pepsi... Processed foods are foods that huge groups of people worked on for years, fine-tuning the recipe, tuning these foods to be the height of the food experience. It's a psychedelic experience in your mouth, from pure carbon. That's Willy Wonka shit. I like fresh food but there's a place for these other foods. You're not going to be able to survive forever on crisps, but you can for six or seven years."

THE **IMPENDING** APOCALYPSE

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "I think 2012's the last year of bullshit. It's a revolutionary period, the new aeon. It's a proper transition where the old guard that has been suppressing the human spirit will be weakened in a dramatic way, the liberation of the human spirit. It's not only enjoyable, it's also crucial

to the survival of the human race, which needs to unite so we can further our endeavours to the next realm. It's our enlightenment, it's our lumination. It's our defiance against the outside idea of destiny and finding our destiny within ourselves. Yeah, and FRONT is really pushing that, which is a pleasure."



VIOLENCE

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "The solution to violence is to punch more walls. Don't punch people. It doesn't feel good for you or them. 99 per cent of the time, somebody offended you. Never be offended. By being offended, you're reducing yourself to being influenced by other people's consciousnesses, by your own beliefs. You're bigger than that. Make your beliefs up as you go along. You're a free being. Maybe if someone says, 'Your mom is a bitch', and you're really angry, go punch a wall. But it's much better to use the energy you'd spend fighting to do what you're really meant to do."

SHITTY ATTITUDES

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "Stay chuffed. Napalm Death taught me that word. You can't count on the world or your outside experiences to give you a reason to be excited, you have to find it in yourself. That's being glad to not be dead, essentially. You need to think of all of the other people in the world that are in worse circumstances than you are, realise all the people who would give anything to live a day in your shoes, and make the most of that. You've got to stay chuffed."

POLLUTION

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "As much as humankind has contributed to destroying the world, we've also created a world within that world. We built computers using materials of the earth through intelligence from the earth, so computers are natural. We're extending, subverting, distorting, manifesting and mutating the nature of this planet, and I do believe the

human race is meant to do that, not only on this planet but throughout the universe. I would rather have us thrive than certain other species, like a mosquito, but there are people that would rather the mosquito thrived. I respect that – part of being a human is respecting other viewpoints. But I'd rather a hundred kittens died if it meant saving a baby human."



Hygiene

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS:

"Shampoo is a small, pathetic lie. It's people trying to figure out how they can get customers to buy more of a certain product. If you can use the product, like toilet paper, that's a great product. There's really no reason not to have a lot of toilet paper on hand, whether for your own ass, or for cleaning things around the house – it's a very useful material.

What was the question? Hygiene is amazing because in my experiences, people, especially women, can be deeply disturbed by any kind of dirt, especially under your fingernails. I reject the idea that being clean somehow places you on a higher level than anyone else. I'll definitely go against the grain with that. To me, a lack of hygiene has always been an easy way to be defiant."



OBESITY

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS:

"Being fat comes down to metabolism. For a lot of women, it's hard for me to discourage them from fattening up because most of the time the fat goes in very pleasing places, which can cause an evolutionary, very primal reaction. That's probably what's motivating people's bodies to gain weight. Your body wants to store energy, so if you get fat what you're really becoming is a source of huge power."

BOREDOM

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "My mother once said 'There's no such thing as a boring situation, only a boring person that can't see the interesting qualities that lie in every situation'. I really took that to heart. I probably told her I was bored while sitting inside on a beautiful summer's day watching some terrible horror movie. Sometimes you need to look through more layers and get out of your head a bit. Then you realise that there's too many things to be interested in. If you're bored, you haven't opened your eyes wide enough."





— TEEN — PREGNANCY

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "Back in the old days, like medieval times, people got married and had kids at 15, so in a way, teen pregnancy is keeping true to those ancient traditions. Back in those days, you were going to die when maybe you were 40, so the best thing you could do was have a kid as soon as you could. Now, there's a whole bunch of fun you can have before that. Not to say having a baby isn't fun, but why not stock up your life with a bunch more experiences before babies? If you haven't lived, you're not going to be able to raise that baby right. You want to pass on a lifetime of experience. I'm not saying to wait until you're 100 years old, but wait until you've pursued some dreams."

DIVORCE

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "Marriage was a great concept. More recently, people have been abandoning it quickly. I understand that, but it's a promise. There's a power in that. You make it, not just to them, but to yourself, to Mom, to Dad. It's a promise that you're going through this reality with someone. If you can look at them and they're God, they're singular, and there's nothing to replace them, then that's not a girlfriend, it's a wife. That's your person. See that and take it and seize it and respect it and worship it and never let go of them. It's intense. And if you don't feel that, get a divorce. Fuck it, fuck 'em."



Discrimination

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "Racists die and sexists die. That's the solution. They will not live forever. The reason people want to break other people down is because they're afraid of themselves and all we can do is to help everyone get more familiar with their own true

will. That relieves conflict and that relieves pain. Young people are the ones who take over. This is the age of the individual. You're not part of a movement – you're part of yourself. Anybody who tries to suppress the human spirit or the human race is on the way out."



ILLITERACY

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "You want to engage with the world. You want to be able to engage with your own mind. In the old days, maybe you couldn't write your own name, but you could speak and that was what most communication consisted of. Now it's tricky if you can't communicate through the written word – not being able to read or write excludes you from modern

human civilization. The power and energy and magic that lie in that realm of communication is almost unmeasurable. So take the time to learn how to read. If you can't read, you're not going to learn anything about what I'm saying right now. There should be a level of personal pride in learning these skills. You learn how to walk, you learn how to talk, you learn how to read."

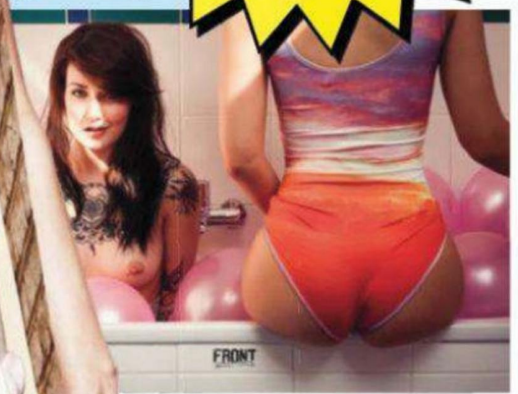
Alcoholism

ANDREW W.K.'S THOUGHTS: "There's an old saying that the way out of a nightmare is the way in. You can also switch that – the way into the nightmare is the way out, so going deeper into this problem is the solution. In America, they call that 'hitting rock bottom'. It makes me think of an episode of *The Simpsons*, where Bart starts smoking, so Homer makes him smoke like 500 cartons. Rather than hold them back, you say, 'Ok, you want to do this? Go for it, let's go all the way'. Alcohol is a magical elixir and, like any molecule that alters our state of consciousness, there's nothing wrong with it as long as you respect it. The other solution is don't drink, but that's not as fun."

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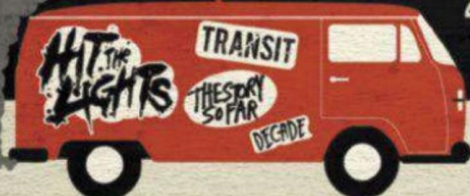
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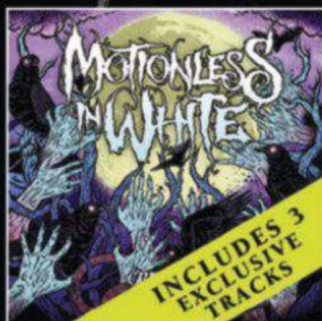
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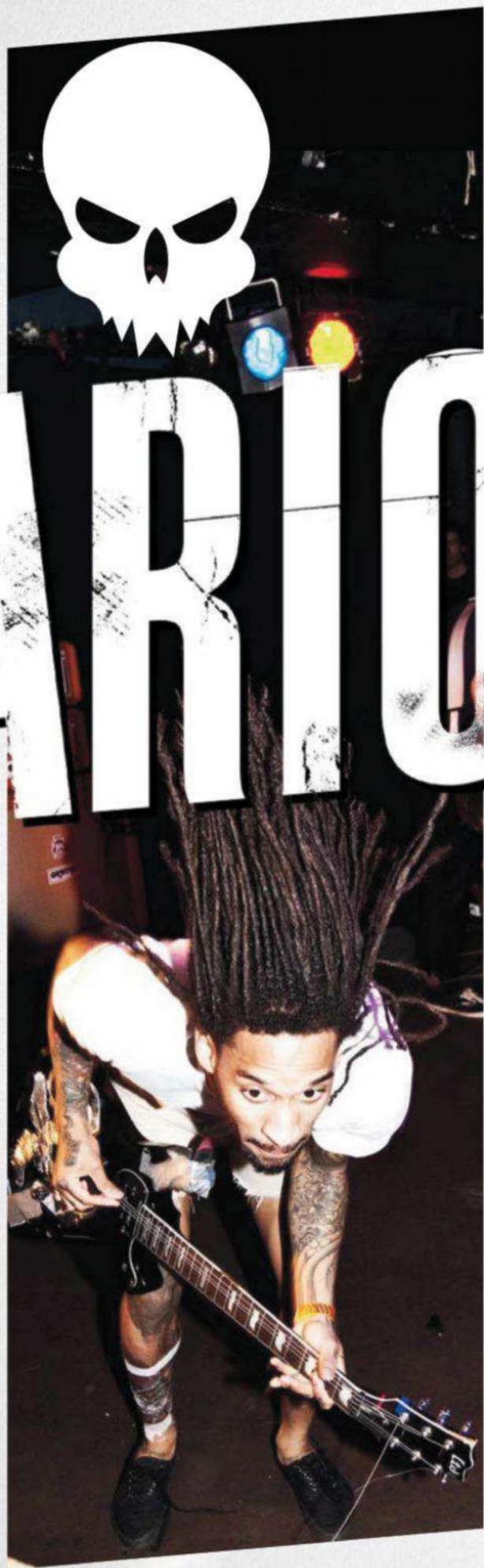
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Taking influence from those crazy slick motherfuckers De La Soul, this reworking of 'ol Bart Simpson by Bristol's 50/50 design store could be one of the freshest piss-take tees we've seen in a while. De La Simpson seems a lot cooler than his white bread compadre.

F.Y.I

The De La Soul album '3 Feet High and Rising' is a reference to... a Johnny Cash song. Don't worry stoners, there are many other songs derived from chemicals for you to obsess over.

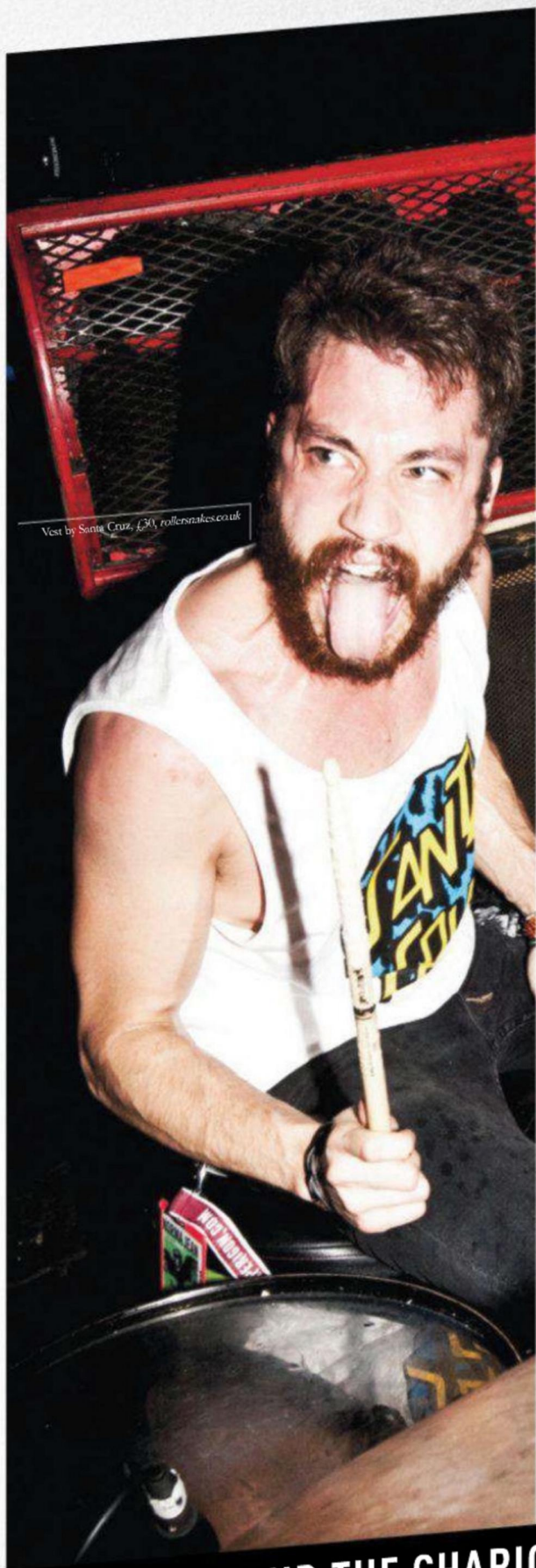




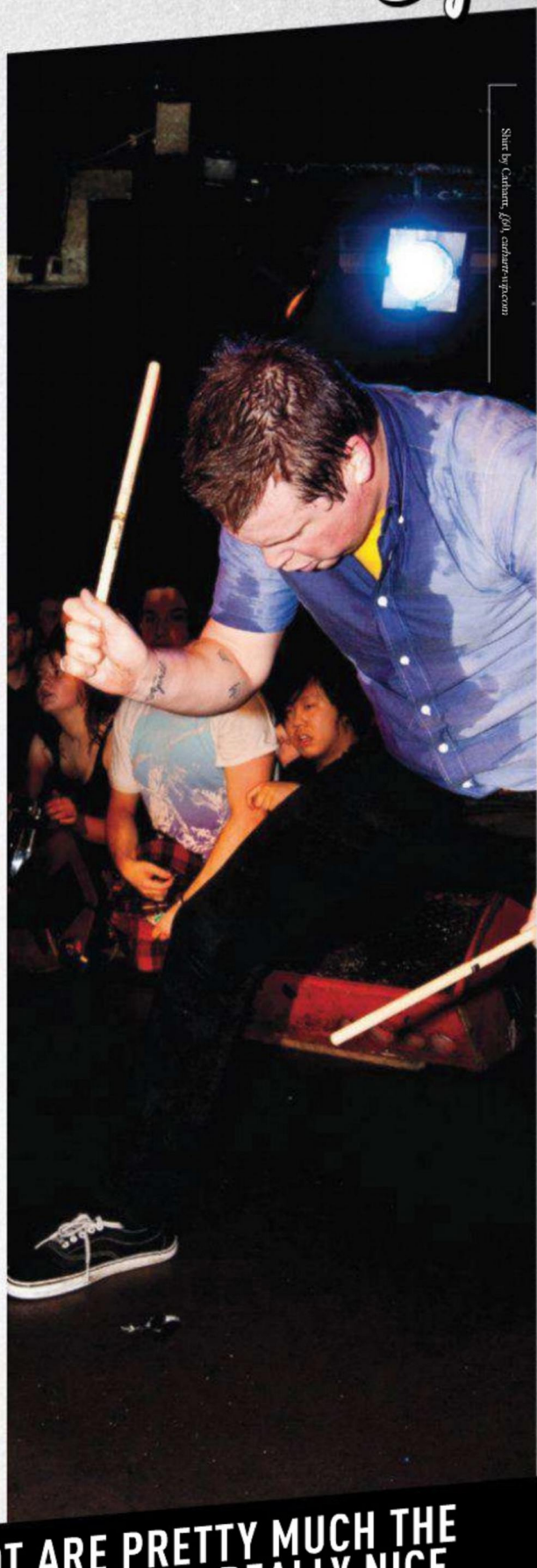
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SO, JOSH AND WOLF, SEEING AS YOU'RE TOURING WITH THREE BANDS THAT GO SUPER HARD ON STAGE, ALL SHARING A BUS ON YOUR TOUR, WE'RE GUESSING SHIT GETS REAL STINKY...

J: Yeah, us, Dead And Divine and Norma Jean are all sharing the same bus. It's eighteen guys, and there're a couple of us who are particularly known for not exactly smelling amazing. It would be rough if we weren't all friends. We've shared buses with people we didn't know before and it's not as awesome.

THERE'S A LOT OF SITTING AROUND ON TOUR. IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'VE LEARNT TO PASS TIME QUICKER, TO GET THROUGH THE DRIVE AND NOT GO PROPERLY MAD?

J: I downloaded this game called Dragonfly on my phone and I've become the master at it. Little app games are like the best, because they're fun for about two minutes, and then after those two minutes you've got nothing to do so you sit on the pot.

W: Usually my legs go numb on the toilet. I can take a dump really fast, in like 20 seconds.

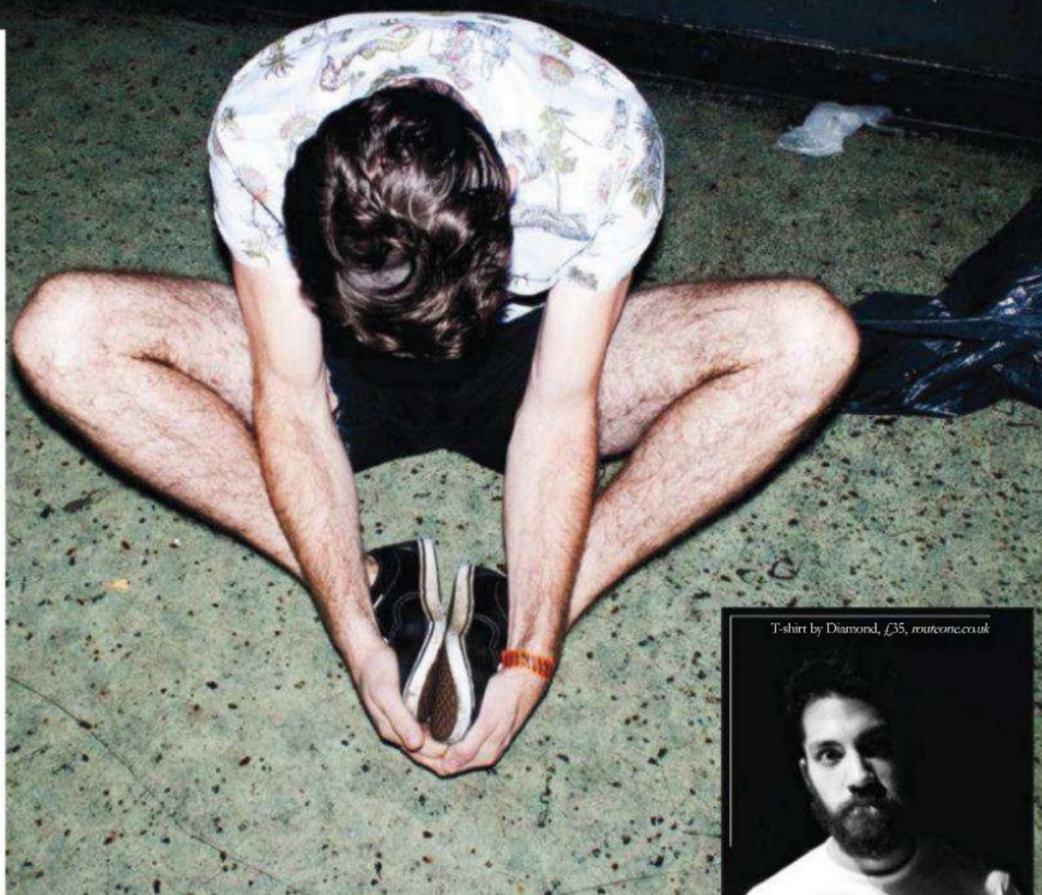
GET THE FUCK OUT OF HERE!

W: Yeah, it's insane. But in those 20 seconds I can get a really good game going, so my legs will end up numb because I'll have spent like 15 minutes playing this game on my phone.

WHAT DID BANDS DO BEFORE WI-FI BECAME AVAILABLE IN TOILETS?

W: There was a lot more inventing silly stuff to do. Sometimes we'll talk to people after the show, and they'll be like "What's going on backstage? Is it crazy and filled with ladies?" and we'll have to tell them straight: it's just a bunch of guys on laptops. It's not as rad as you think. The internet's ruined us.

YOU HAD A TATTOOIST BACKSTAGE, THOUGH. THAT'S ROCK AND ROLL...



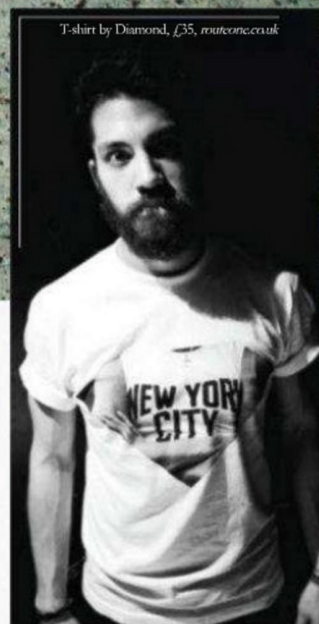
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J: That's courtesy of Norma Jean's bassist, he knew the girl who came out.
 W: I got a tattoo by a guy backstage one time, and he was terrible. We have, like, our iconic skull and we'd decided we would get it the next chance we got. There was a band on tour with us who were playing while he was giving the tattoo, and the guy was rocking out and head-banging while doing it, so that didn't help. The tattoo turned out terrible. It looks like I did it myself.

WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THE SKULL?

J: It was on one of our records, the *Unsung* EP. There's lots of little tiny icons on it. I just like the idea of something so small on an album becoming our running icon, I guess.

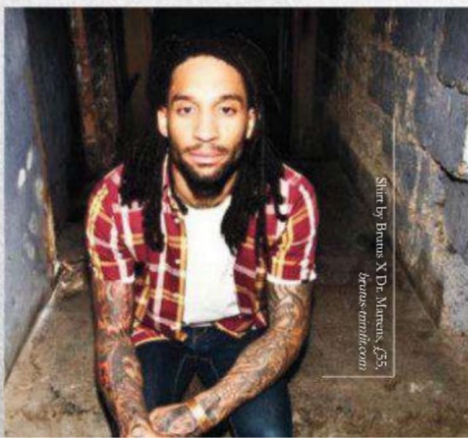
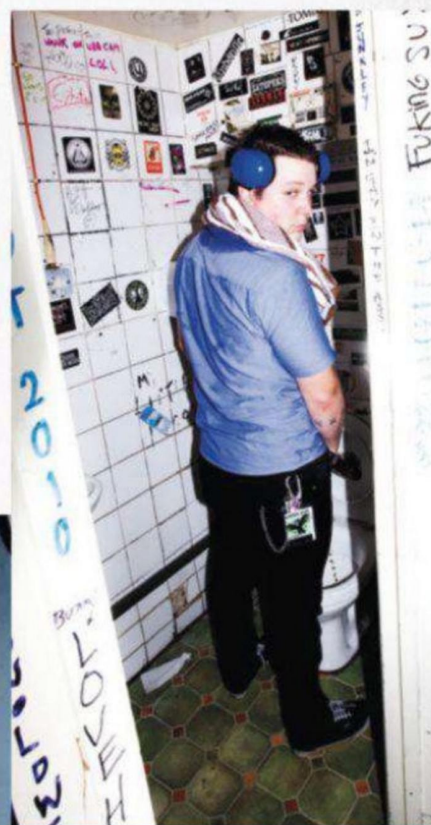
W: A lot of times when people hear heavy music they think about anger and death, but we're the opposite. There's nothing angry about us. We're really stoked about life and really joyful. If it symbolized any type of death it would be the idea of laying down what we want to do with our lives, living for something bigger than ourselves. That's kind of what our band stands for.

...AND GOING ABSOLUTELY FUCKING APE SHIT ON STAGE. IT'S INCREDIBLE WHAT YOU GUYS DO.

J: For us, we try and raise that boundary on stage but it's more about all of us: us and the audience in this one moment and this opportunity, be it good, be it bad, being here together.

WOLF, YOUR BASS IS COVERED IN PEOPLE'S ID CARDS. WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH THAT?

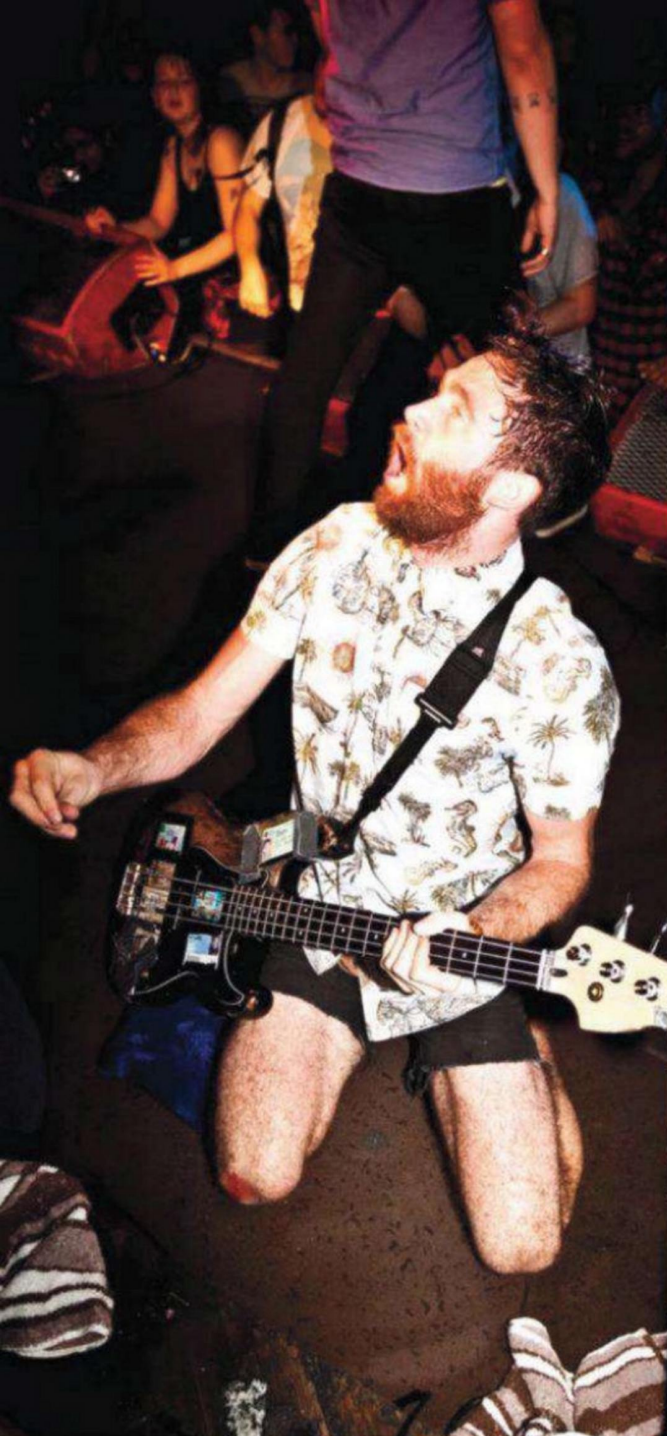
W: Yeah, I have hundreds and hundreds, probably about 200 IDs that I've been



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given over the last four years or so. It started when this guy just walked up to me as I was going onstage and handed me his ID. It was a weird, funny thing. I stuck it into my pick guard, and the next day I pulled my bass out to play and it was still there. On that tour, I collected five or six more, and I've got hundreds of them now. It's really special to me, it reminds me of how much this isn't all about us. This is about relating to people, and being able to play music and how it just builds bridges.

SURELY HAVING STACKS OF IDS IS A BIT HARD TO EXPLAIN TO CUSTOMS.

W: Yep, I've been pulled up by security at the airport. They brought me into this room and had my bass laid out with all the cards and started grilling me about it. They were like, 'are you some kind of criminal?' and I had to prove that some dude gave me them. I think they mostly freaked out because some weren't even expired. It was something outta Dexter.

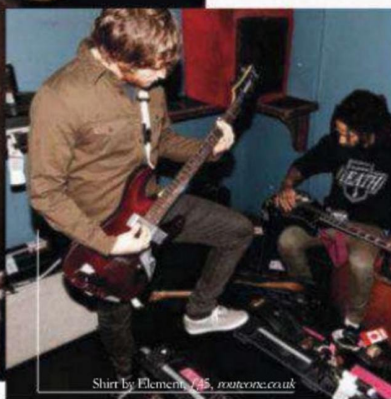
YOU USED TO SPORT A FOOT-LONG BEARD, TOO. THAT PROBABLY DIDN'T HELP THE WHOLE SITUATION.

J: The best beard moment was in winter, when he was speaking on a Bluetooth and walking back and forth like you do when you're on the phone. He's got this huge beard and layers of torn clothes. He looks proper mad, like he's talking to himself, and laughing. People were really scared, they thought he was crazy.

W: I only really noticed that I had it when I cut off the whole thing. Then I got freaked out, because I'd grown that beard for a year and a half, and I'd got used to people, specifically women, not looking me in the eye. Then I shaved and got really uncomfortable with how much eye contact I was receiving.

FINALLY, JOSH, YOU USED TO BE IN NORMA JEAN, THE BAND YOU'RE SUPPORTING - DOES TOURING WITH THEM FEEL LIKE GOING ON HOLIDAY WITH YOUR DIVORCED PARENTS?

J: Not at all. We've been friends and remained friends. I've actually filled in for Cory [Brandan, vox] a couple of times in Mexico and there's nothing weird there or any hard feelings at all. We all get along very well. Everyone in The Chariot and everyone in Norma Jean, even the new members. It gets really silly and wild, and usually ends in all of us laughing hysterically together. **FRONT**



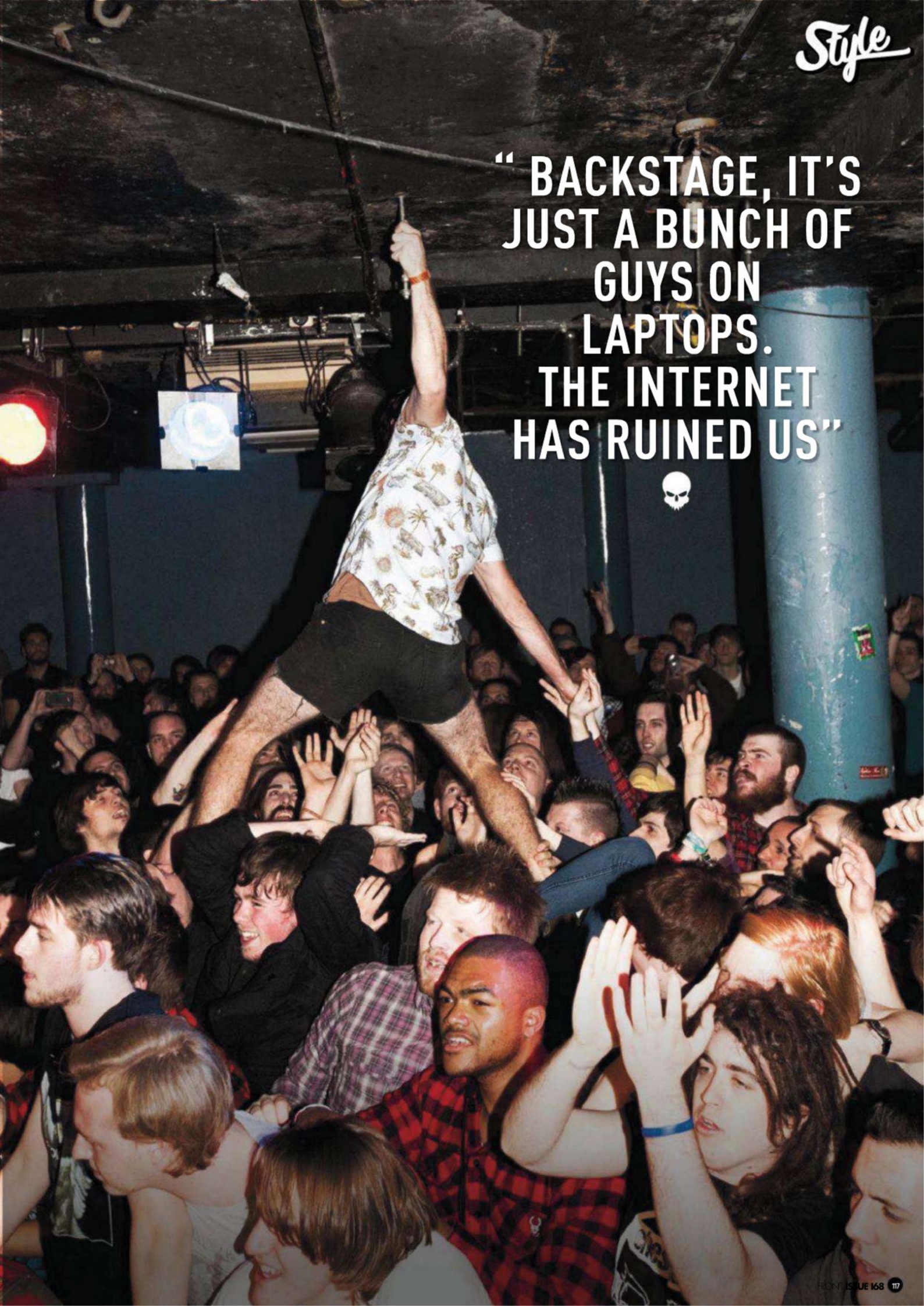
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F.Y.I
New York-based snapper Peter Beste is fuckin' good. Go check out his work on peterbeste.com where you'll see all kinds of killer shit.

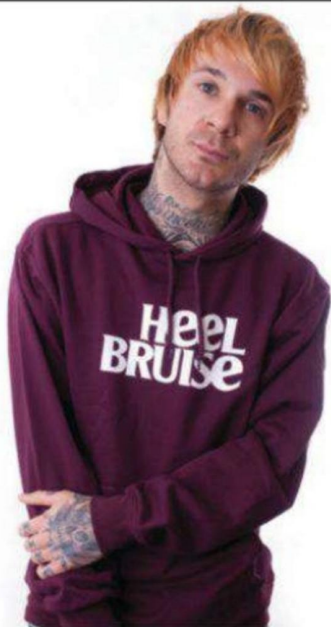
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F.Y.I

Director Werner Herzog scoffed that he'd scoff his shoe if his friend ever finished a movie. He did. So a real Gourmet shoe features in the documentary "Werner Herzog Eats His Shoe."



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THE HORROR PUNK MIC MAN
EXPLAINS WHY HIS PICTURE OF
JESUS HAS ELVIS'S FACE.

NEW ORDER COLLECTION

I've got all the New Order records, most of which I found in England. Ceremony was their first EP and the hardest to find. It was at the back of a dingy record store in Norfolk. I flipped out when I found it, and so did the store owner. We'd both been looking for it for ages, only he didn't know he had it. I play them all, and I only have a record player in my house, no CD player.

THE REAL KING

I have an obsession with old frames. Y'know, the gold leaf ones? I have a few. This one, I found while I was on tour in Cleveland. It had this picture of Jesus inside it, and I didn't want it. I told the store owner he could keep it, but he wouldn't let me take the frame without it. So I took it all and stuck a picture of Elvis over Jesus' face. We all know he's the real king, don't we?

PORCELAIN DOLL

This is the doll from the cover of Aiden's album *Nightmare Anatomy*. We spent six months on tour collecting porcelain dolls and breaking them up and putting makeup on them. We had fucking tons of them by the end but this is the one that made it onto the cover. She just looked a bit cooler than the rest.

WHO HE?

NAME: William Francis
AGE: 30
CHECK OUT:
williamcontrol.com

ELVIS AND OSCAR WILDE ACTION FIGURES

My wife owns this Elvis figure. The Oscar Wilde is mine though. I found him in a bookstore in Dublin. They're kept in their boxes away from the prying hands of my two-and-a-half year old. He loves getting his hands into stuff like that.

MISFITS COLLECTION

This is a rare first pressing of Misfits' Earth AD record. Below that is a Misfits incense holder. Above the fireplace you can see my Misfits promo poster numbered 91/700, too.

MASONIC MEDALS

It wasn't until I was 23 and sober that my dad told me that my great granddad was a Mason. These medals have passed down through the generations. It's such a crazy secret society. All the Presidents apart from JFK, Lincoln and Obama were Masons.

ORIGINAL NIRVANA PHOTO

This was taken by Lisa Johnson and it's an outtake from her shoots with Nirvana. She gave me it for my birthday and there's only a couple in existence. I've got three Nirvana pics of hers, but this is my favourite.



REALLY OLD BIBLE

I've got all kinds of religious books: Bibles, the Koran, the Torah, the Book Of Mormon... I'm not religious but you can't be opposed to something you have no knowledge of. I'm intrigued by the history of religion, and how it's oppressed people for thousands of years. This one in particular is a Bible from 1859, and it must weigh like a hundred pounds. It's humungous.

MARLBORO LIGHTS

I'm a Marlboro fiend, I reckon I get through sixty a day I'm always trying to be the Marlboro Man.

IN CONTROL BOOK

Anton Corbijn, what a stellar man. Not many people know who he is, but he's directed some of the best music videos ever. I watched his film Control, the one about Ian Curtis from Joy Division, while I was on the Taste Of Chaos tour in 2007. I was in Sydney and it absolutely destroyed me. I was bawling my eyes out. We all know how the Ian Curtis story ends, but every shot of Anton's is beautiful.

GRIM REAPER

A fan in Mexico gave this to me. It has a weird back-story about protecting me from evil and has a coin glued to the bottom of it. It's real freaky, thinking about it. I like to rally against God and silly stuff like that, but I'm open-minded enough to respect other people's opinion. I don't look down on people with faith.

LIFE IN INK

ASKING ALEXANDRIA DANNY WORSNOP

THE METALCORE FRONTMAN EXPLAINS WHY HIS
COCAINE-INSPIRED TATTOO IS A HIT WITH THE KIDS...

PHOTOGRAPHY: ALEX DE MORA

WORK FOR IDLE HANDS

A while back, someone in America pointed at my hands and started crying. They thought I was the devil. Fucking square. I love rock'n'roll. I got it done a few months ago in Utah by a great artist. He just came out to have fun and tattoo us for the day. It would've been much more PC to get these on my knuckles, and I realise that now.



FAMOUS FISTS

I like how much this pisses people off. I got advised not to get it many times by many people – the tattoo artist who did it was amongst them. Weirdly, Amy Lee from Evanescence walked in halfway through getting it done.

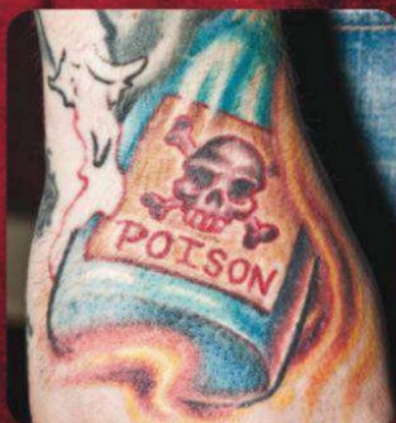


WHO HE?

NAME: Danny Worsnop
AGE: 22
JOB: Vocals in Asking
Alexandria
CHECK OUT: facebook.
com/askingalexandria

DEAD ARM

This is just a continuation of my sleeve. I wish I had a better explanation of it all, but it's just dead shit that doesn't mean anything. I just like tattoos.



SLEEVE IT ALONE

This is by the amazing Sean Zee. I've had to get this redone three times and it's still not

finished; I dry-healed so it took a long time. It didn't help that it's where your arm bends so it really hurt.





DUBAI OR NOT DUBAI

'Forsaken' was the first tattoo I ever got. I wish there was a meaning behind it. I got these two because I like the words. I was 17, I'd finished school and it was the start of the band. I was in Dubai with Ben, so my parents had no knowledge about it. At the time there was only one licensed tattoo artist in Dubai. Yeah, it was odd.

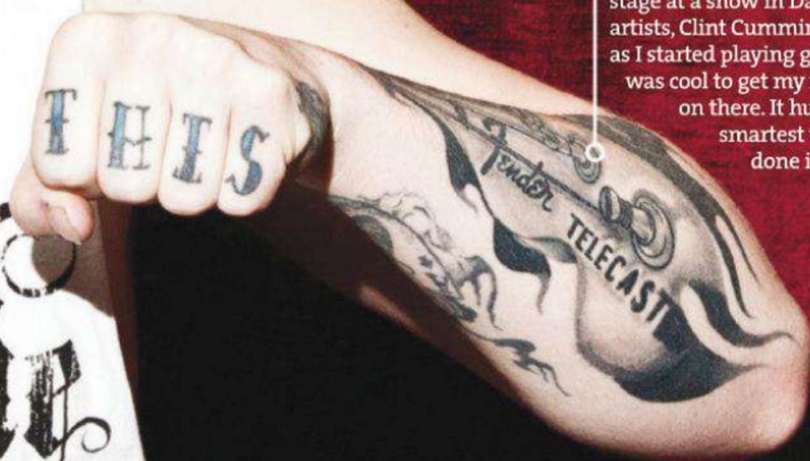
EXTASY

I was on a cocaine binge once upon a time with my ex girlfriend and wanted something different. Usually, when people want different they get a moustache on a finger. I wanted to be unique – I remembered this from when I was a kid, so got my ex to do it. She obviously wasn't a pro or anything. Kids love it. If any of my friends bring their kids round, they always really like it.



CUMMINGS AND GOINGS

I got this done right before I went on stage at a show in Dallas by one of my artists, Clint Cummings. It was just as I started playing guitar again, so it was cool to get my first new guitar on there. It hurt. It wasn't the smartest thing I've ever done in my life.



WIN SOME, LOSE SOME

I got this at the same time as the 'forsaken' tattoo. I was in Dubai, and Ben went, "Do you wanna go get a tattoo today?" and I was like, "Fuck yeah I do, I want some tattoos. They'll make me cool right?" Then I had to think of something quickly that I wanted to get and I saw the ace of spades on Google.



FISH TALE

I was out, drunk in Florida, and this happened. I don't regret any of my tattoos, I'm glad I've got them all.

FREE WILLY

I like getting drunk. And when I do, I like getting people to tattoo me. This wasn't painful – these people are so bad at tattoos. They're light, they heal in a couple of days. Ben's our guitarist.



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READERS' INK

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NAME: Daniel Stewart
AGE: 22
WHO DUNNIT: Nick Baldwin at GUNG HO! Tattoo, Birmingham
COST: £180



NAME: Ben Ogunbiyi
AGE: 24
WHO DUNNIT: Edgar Ivanov at Old London Road Tattoos, Kingston
COST: £250



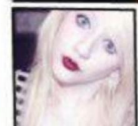
NAME: Chris White
WHO DUNNIT: Sam Andrews in Gravesend
COST: £240



NAME: Markus 'Mr Cool Cactus' Wieneke
AGE: 33
WHO DUNNIT: Madet at Madet Tattoo, Germany
HOW LONG: 6 hours per leg



NAME: Brad Taylor
AGE: 18
WHO DUNNIT: Joe Frost at Thou Art, Sheffield
COST: £140



NAME: Corrine Read
AGE: 20
WHO DUNNIT: Joe Ellis at Cockas Nook Tattoo Parlour, Newcastle
COST: £10 (apprentice rates)



NAME: Alexandra Caddick
AGE: 21
WHO DUNNIT: Louis Molloy at London Ink
COST: £400



NAME: Will Taylor
WHO DUNNIT: Nick Baldwin at GUNG HO! Tattoo, Birmingham
COST: £150
HOW LONG: 3 hours

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A WEE QUESTION

Von, my missus loves it when I do a wee inside her. Does this mean if I do a wee up her, she'll get loads more pleasure? Generally, my pisses last longer than my jizzes, so does this work?

Jack, Plymouth.

When you have a boner the piss won't flow. You need to put it in her bum instead and once your load is blown it will go floppy, then you can release the piss. It's very nice if she pushes it all back out onto your face – piss and semen is a hell of a combo.



MAKIN' BACON

In a moment of non-clarity, I decided I couldn't afford a Fleshlight toy for myself, so thought it best to grab the next best thing: eight smoked bacon rashers. Who know that four streaky meat slices either side of your peepee

could feel so great? Anyway, now I have a soggy pack of bacon and I can't bring myself to throw it away as it cost me £2 and I want a buttie. What to do?

Jake, London

I like meat based products much more after they've been rubbed over a groin, and find that jizz works as a healthy alternative to salt. There is a super book called Cooking With Semen – the man-made oysters are the best. The ultimate fridge based sex toy, though, is a melon that's been microwaved for eight seconds then had a hole bored in it. Boom.



SENIOR FOOTLONG

Hi Von, I've got really small feet but what I reckon is a perfectly normal, acceptably-sized cock. How acceptable is it to wear big shoes and several socks so girls don't assume

that because of my tiny tootsies I'm packing a teeny weenie?

Ian, Northampton

It's acceptable but it's also well retarded. Girls never ever look at the size of feet – that is ridic. It's better to walk around with your acceptable cock hanging out your trousers than to wear massive shoes, freakaloid.



DEAD SEXY

Hi Von. I was recently watching an old Hammer Horror film from the 70s starring Ingrid Pitt, and it totally gave me the horn – she was spectacularly sexy. After I'd pleased myself, though, I looked her up and she died in 2010. I felt like I'd done something horrible by yanking my crank to a dead person.

Jason, Dundee

If you were looking at a picture of her rotting corpse, that would be too much, but in her fresh un-dead prime it's totes OK. There are loads of dead hotties out there for you to blow your load over but honestly, doing sex whilst pretending to be dead is the best thing ever..



FURRY Fucker

Hello Von. I've been thinking about the impending shirt-off season and how hairy my back is. I can absorb like half a swimming pool with that motherfucker. I don't want to have to go into a salon to have my back shaved, as salon girls are really sexy and there's a real possibility I'd get embarrassed and cry.

Donny, Porthcawl

My sister is a beautician and tells me real waxing horror stories of women with hair up to their navels and men with faeces connected to their bumhole hair. Compared to that lot, back hair ain't shit. I like to rub my toes through back hair, it's sensual.

WHAT I'M INTO THIS MONTH



THE WOODS

Sometimes me and my bestest friends go out into the woods dressed as bears to try and lure in other real bears to play around with. Sometimes we touch the bears' winkies, if they aren't afraid of our roars.

THE LIVING DEAD

This month I decided that I'm bored of

having sex with the living so wanted to see if I could find some real living dead people to insert my grubby fingers in. It turns out decomposed flesh isn't sexy.

SHOCKING SHOPPING

This is my new favourite outfit ever. Every time I wear it, my boobs pop out and I can't help

but touch my noo noo. It works when I'm at home, but not so much when I'm buying toilet roll in Co-Op.

PYTHONS

I asked to stroke this snake because it looked like a big phallic shiny yellow cock, I didn't ask to have my photo taken and it put round my neck and be left



there whilst it tried to penetrate my friend. That I did not want.

MY MATES

This photo is to simply illustrate how fit my mates are, and that I as a girl am allowed to touch their warm moist bits whenever I want.



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POSITION OF THE MONTH

DADDY SMELLS FUNNY



DIFFICULTY: 1
ENJOYMENT: 0

ESSENTIALS

VALENCOURT

Have you been wondering why you've been seeing people walking about with giant V's on their tops? Wonder no more, as London's Valencourt are to blame. They've just released a Spring collection (including an Ackroyd-tastic Ghostbusters V t-shirt), so you've not seen the last of those V's yet!

VALENCOURT
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■ valencourtapparel.com



MODE APPAREL

Mode Apparel specialises in music orientated fashion and urban clothing for mixed genders. They produce a range of products with bold graphic and photographic designs. Check them out!



■ modeapparel.co.uk



UNDEAD GLORY

Undead Glory is a clothing company based in the spiritual home of UK fashion, Essex. Instead of the expected heavy foundation, fake tan and fake hair, they offer t-shirt designs at extremely reasonable prices.



■ undeadglory.com



LOYALTY AND DEVOTION

L&D continue their endless mission to save the world with sick threads. Designed in collaboration with Sean Chamillion of Betrayal, the line's hardcore roots are evident in the back text 'For only the vanquished know how to kneel'. Get 20% off with the code 'xfrontx'



■ loyaltyanddevotion.co.uk

THUNDER APPAREL

Thunder Apparel is a fresh UK indie brand and they've just released their new summer range. It's both intricate and distinct, with designs often incorporating their cool lightning-slashed brolly logo. Get 10% off with the code 'FRONTARMY10'.



■ thunderapparel.co.uk



ROUTE ONE

Famous skate company GIRL and Route One have teamed up for an exclusive colour of Corey Kennedy's new deck. Check out the 90's Nirvana-inspired graphic on Corey's pro model and matching T-Shirt only available at Route One.

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This awesome indie brand G&G has become huge over the past year and it's not hard to see why with the launch of their amazing new spring/summer range.

You can bag yourself 10% off with the simple and clear code 'GGFRONT'



■ growlandgrandeur.com



SACRED STITCHES

Sacred Stitches is an independent company from Brighton specializing in tattoo-inspired apparel. Working with select tattooists, they have produced a high quality range of unisex tees, vests and sweats, designed to tie in sweetly with any tattoos you have - a really neat idea.



■ sacredstitches.co.uk

SMALL VICTORY

Small Victory specialise in iconic and highly-detailed tees, especially with animal themes; their latest line-up includes an awesome wolf vest and tee. FRONT readers get 10% off with Code 'FRONTARMY'. They will also be selling at Hevy Festival, so stop by the stall!



■ smallvictory.bigcartel.com



CLIMSKIN

If, like everyone else, you want to stand out from the crowd, Climskin is a new streetwear brand for you. The designs are a fusion of designer Michael Climmers' passions. Each design has its own story behind it; we guess this is a shaggy dog story.



■ climskin.com



GIFTED HEROES

Gifted Heroes claim their tees are for the guy who likes to stand out in the crowd, with a dare to be different style, whose ethos is "Play Hard Party Harder!", and we like that. FRONT readers get 20% off with code front20.

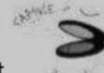


■ giftedheroes.com



CAPSULE CLOTHING

Capsule is an independent clothing line founded in January 2012 by designer Guy Challenger from Worcester. He specialises in high quality screen printed t-shirts covered in offbeat cartoons with dark stories at their heart; it's all very hipster Tim Burton.



■ facebook.com/capsuleclothing

NEW+UNSIGNED



■ facebook.com/echorainofficial

ECHO RAIN

Echo Rain are based in Brighton, and are a four piece band who play pop-rock songs with elements of punk

and metal. They've just recorded their debut EP "You Know What They Say..." and have a 14 date UK tour at the end of

April. The clown make-up is totally optional. **FOR FANS OF:** Taking Back Sunday, Four Year Strong, Billy Talent.

THE HOTEL AMBUSH

Brutal breakdowns, flowing melodies and energetic live performances make The Hotel Ambush a force

to be reckoned with. Catch them at Bristol's imaginatively-named Brisfest in September and keep your eyes

peeled for the new album in the summer! **FOR FANS OF:** As I Lay Dying, Parkway Drive, Killswitch Engage

■ facebook.com/thehotelambush



THE ODD SQUAD

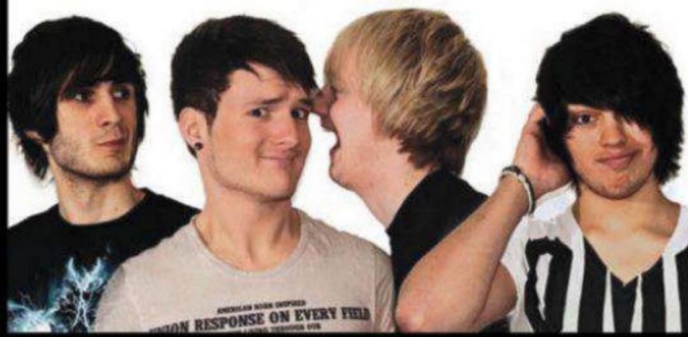
These young pop-rockers from Manchester are definitely ones to watch for 2012. With catchy

melodies and infectious choruses, The Odd Squad are really starting to make an odd name for

themselves on the UK odd scene.

FOR FANS OF: You Me At Six, All American Rejects.

■ facebook.com/oddsquadband



■ facebook.com/seventribe

SEVENTRIBE

Seventribe is a Hardcore-Metal crew hailing from Sweden. They describe themselves

as a "16-fist-knockout-machine turned into an 800% live act. It's like a carcrash or your parents

makin' sweet love; you just can't leave." Right... **FOR FANS OF:** Random takedowns. Literally.



■ facebook.com/toweringheights

TOWERING HEIGHTS

Towering Heights are a hard-hitting rock quartet based in the Cathedral city of Lincoln, a wall

from which is depicted above. Their debut album "Caught Up In The Sun" is scheduled for

release in early May. **FOR FANS OF:** Karnivool, Incubus, Alter Bridge & Tool.

THE CHARMERS

An indie rock band from Coventry, the baby-faced Charmers hit the scene about six months

ago and have already released an E.P. and a single. They're currently recording their latest

five track E.P. **FOR FANS OF:** Arctic Monkeys, The Maccabees, The Enemy

■ facebook.com/thecharmersonband



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RIVER CITY RANSOM

This York quintet have created quite the buzz since they started gigging a year ago.

Boasting an unmissable live show and a debut EP with rave reviews, River City Ransom are destined

for big things.
FOR FANS OF: Every Time I Die, The Bronx, Alexisonfire.

■ facebook.com/RCROfficial

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN

A rock /alternative band from London, AWH combine quality vocals and soaring

melodies with speedy instrumentals and clashing drums! They'll be touring this summer,

and their first EP 'We Are' is free online.
FOR FANS OF: Framing Hanley, Biffy Clyro.



■ facebook.com/accidentswillhappen



ASK ANYONE

Armed with hyperactive energy, infectious alt-rock hooks and

theatrical styling, Ask Anyone aim to put British rock/metal back

on the map.
FOR FANS OF: Biffy Clyro, Helmet, Nirvana.

■ facebook.com/askanyone

MECHANICAL SMILE

The grimly-monikered Mechanical Smile are two guys and two girls from Ayrshire,

combining rock, pop and grunge to create a melodic and pulsating sound that will blow you

away! They tend to hang around in lifts.
FOR FANS OF: Smashing Pumpkins, Evanescence.

■ facebook.com/mechanicalsmile



SUPERKING

A six-piece band from South London, Superking recently released a self-titled EP

since the arrival of a new vocalist. The songs are free for download at their Facebook page.

FOR FANS OF: You Me At Six, Lower Than Atlantis, A Day To Remember, Alexisonfire.

■ facebook.com/superkingband



LACEY

■ facebook.com/laceyofficialuk

Meet Lacey - arguably, the best thing to come out of Nottingham since Kevin Costner's mullet. Drawing influence from the 2002 Long Island

scene, they mix solid guitars and driving beats with more hooks than a tackle box. The boys of Lacey are determined to achieve

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CANCER BATS

DEAD SET ON LIVING



IF YOU don't like Cancer Bats, you suck. You're an irresistible vortex of super-suck, a toilet-plunger of suck. Lardbrain James Corden, the twat who wrote the Go Compare theme song, Olly Murs; we bet none of those guys like Cancer Bats and they fucking suck.

On this effort, the 'Bats have snarled their lip, toned down the pace and upped the clinking, clanking weight of heavy fuckin' metal to produce an album that's distinctly their own but references some of the biggest, hairiest metal bands to ever do it. Scott Middleton wails like a

bastard son of Dimebag Darrell and Zakk Wylde who was weaned from his mother's paps on only the best DC hardcore, while Liam Cormier hunts the colossal, mammoth riffs like a neanderthal elephant-killer. Trackwise, 'The Void' is an ungente halfbreed of Black Sabbath and the Dark Lord Satan and there isn't a solitary track that doesn't rock like a bastard. So, yeah. Cancer Bats are still the coolest band on the planet.

IN A NUTSHELL: CANADA'S FINEST LET THEIR INNER METAL RUN RIOT. SACRIFICE A GOAT IN CELEBRATION.

★★★★★ *Out now*

3 BANDS THAT INFLUENCED DSOL

AS TOLD BY LIAM CORMIER, VOCALS

PANTERA

"We listened to tons of Pantera while writing this record. They're the kings of the single tempo bangers! The vibes change but it's always at that same head-bang tempo. That's why they're the kings of metal!"



BIOHAZARD

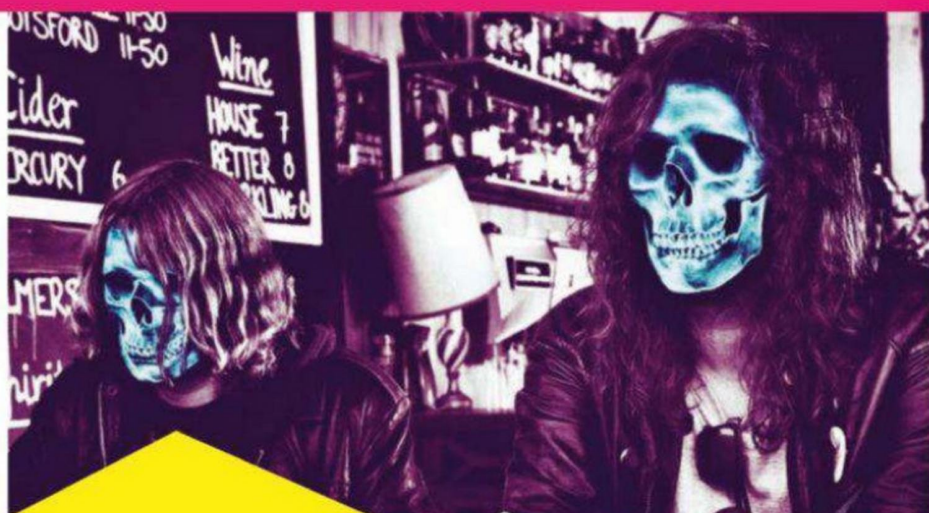
"There is so much good bounce in every Biohazard song. It makes you want to party and destroy shit! Their set at Dynamo Festival in 1995 had thousands of people jumping, losing their minds to the bounce!"



CLUTCH

"Good jammy stoner rock with amazing lyrics and such a good flow! I love how they don't take themselves too seriously; they just do what they want and have a good time. We seriously look up to these guys."





DZ DEATHRAYS

BLOODSTREAMS



DZ DEATHRAYS come from Australia and they play what they like to call 'death pop'. If death pop involved biting and maiming and scratching we'd be happy but the DZ Deathrays sound is even wilder. Excellently unpredictable without ever passing up an opportunity to detonate a killer hook, DZ Deathrays manage to be arty without pretension and, although some experiments work better than others, it's awesome that they have the balls to throw caution to the wind throughout. All hail, death pop!

IN A NUTSHELL: UNCONTROLLABLY CHAOTIC BUT IRRESISTABLY CATCHY. PHENOMENAL STUFF.

★★★★★ Out 7 May



POLAR

IRON LUNGS



NO HOLDS barred, no punches pulled, not a ballad; straight-up punk tinged hardcore music to bite someone's nose open by. Polar share the same flair that flows through the veins of The Bronx and Gallows; they're a band whose sound drips with danger. Gang vocals, breakdowns, a ferocious vocal delivery and a sound that's as rough as a Saturday night kebab shop brawl, this bunch of bruisers are one of the best up-and-coming hardcore bands in the UK and the possible heirs to the throne left vacant by Gallows' glory era. Get involved now.

IN A NUTSHELL: AUTHENTIC BRITISH HARDCORE THAT'S READY TO BREAK NOSES ALL OVER THE WORLD.

★★★★★ Out 7 May

EMMURE

SLAVE TO THE GAME



THERE'S AN undeniable allure about Emmure. Despite their nu metal throwback riffage and faux gangsta schtick, 'Slave To The Game' is thug-nasty, grimy and the best thing they've done. It's sadly one-track-Tony at times; there's only so long you can beatdown before it's staler than old Hovis, and the lyrics are written by an 8-year old, but Limp Bizkit's lyrics are bollocks and only tramps with no friends hate them.

IN A NUTSHELL: NU METAL BUMMING DEATHCORE TO WITHIN AN INCH OF ITS LIFE.

★★★★★ Out now

PENNYWISE

IN TIME TO VOICES



PENNYWISE SPENT the '90s as one of the best punk rock bands and the soundtrack for everyone who loved skating and massive Airwalk trainers. Say it quietly but they then spent the noughties being poop. Kick-ass Ignite vocalist Zoli Teglas inspires this unbelievable return to form, with a break-neck speed that would make old school Offspring and AFI shit themselves, and sun-kissed So Cal punk melodies. If you love downing bottles of White Lightning until you black out, this is for you.

IN A NUTSHELL: PENNYWISE MAKE ONE OF THE BEST PUNK ROCK COMEBACKS IN FOREVER.

★★★★★ Out 30 April

HOLY STATE

ELECTRIC PICTURE PALACE



SOUNDING somewhere between the sex and passion of 70's garage rock, the hip-shaking vibes of The Rolling Stones in their day and the hard-rocking side of Biffy Clyro that Matt Cardle couldn't finger in the bum, Holy State might have an overall sound that's a little lightweight but they play with more fire than your ringpiece after a Wetherspoon's chicken phaal. It's not earth-shattering but if you miss the days when bands like The Hives ruled the airwaves, you can do a lot worse than this collection.

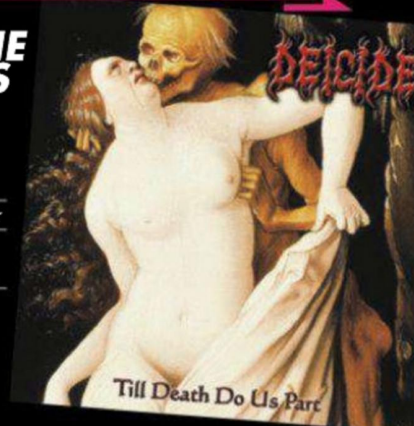
IN A NUTSHELL: PASSION OVER POWER ON THIS ANGULAR INDIE ROCK RAGER.

★★★★★ Out 30 April

MENTAL METAL ART

OUT OF THE VAULT THIS MONTH...

BAND: DECIDE
GENRE: DEATH METAL
GORE RATING: ★★★★★
TEXT ILLEGIBILITY: ★★★★★
UPSET CAUSED TO SOCIETY: ★★★★★



SURVIVAL HORROR

SILENT HILL DOWNPOUR

PS3/XBOX 360

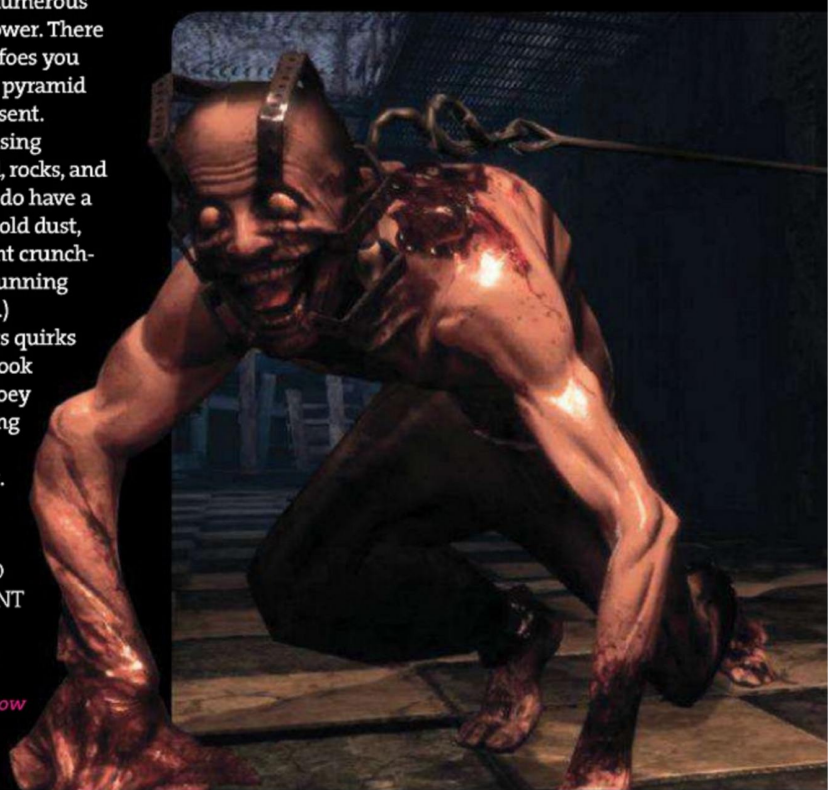
"THE MIST! OH, the Silent Hill mist - how I have missed you so!" were my first thoughts. As my character ventured into the unknown and that familiar monster-obscuring mist started to fill up my screen, it's fair to say that I got more excited than justified by colloidal water particles. Silent Hill Downpour sees you playing Murphy Pendleton, an escaped convict whose secure bus crashed on the outskirts of Silent Hill whilst he was being transferred between prisons. As he tries to escape to safety he finds himself embroiled deeper and deeper in the psychological horror of the creepiest town of all time™ (For those who don't know Silent Hill, it's a Japanese horror version of David Lynch.) Unlike previous games which focused on the people and cult within the town, the back story is more specific to Murphy's character, featuring bent prison guards, child rapists, and themes of revenge. It's dark stuff with the opening scene seeing you shiv some dude in a brutal shower scene that has repercussions throughout the game [insert soap gag here]. That said, the game does well to capture the spirit of previous games with an immersive storyline, good puzzles, and exploration of some of

the lesser known areas of the town. They've got the atmosphere spot on, the eerie creaks and industrial noises are masterfully intercut with creepily beautiful music that fits in well. As the title would suggest, downpours feature frequently, during which monsters become more numerous and visibility gets even lower. There isn't much variety in the foes you face, with the nurses and pyramid head being noticeably absent. Combat is melee heavy, using surrounding bits of wood, rocks, and detritus as weapons; you do have a gun, but bullets are like gold dust, leading to some important crunch-time decision making. (Running away is always an option.) The game isn't without its quirks - the female 'screamers' look like they were based on Joey Jordison, the Korn title song is totally laughable and the hidden ending is daft.

IN A NUTSHELL:

OVERALL, A VERY GOOD ADDITION TO THE SILENT HILL FAMILY (BETTER THAN HOMECOMING.)

★★★★★ Out Now



ACTION ADVENTURE

PROTOTYPE 2

PS3/360/PC

THE ORIGINAL Prototype was a bit of a divider, people either loved it or really, really hated it. The sequel takes place 14 months after Prototype. You play as James Heller, a guy who blames the death of his family and his subsequent viral mutation on Alex Mercer (the antihero of the first game.) James' mutation is different to Mercer's in that he has tendrils which come out of his arms that can do lots of cool stuff, like throw tanks and wrap people up in webs. It's a bit like being Spider Man which is always pretty awesome. EVERYONE wants to be Spider Man.

The world feels a lot brighter and more believable than before and there are lots of mini games and online events. They've also tried to mix up the missions by adding more stealth-based tasks, but they're still uber-repetitive.

Combat-wise, the ability to use two different powers (one in each hand) is super fun and changes things up so you have more combo variations and the animations that play when you rip enemies apart with your tentacles more than make up for any repetition in the setting and combat.

IN A NUTSHELL: IT'S NOT GOING TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE, IT'LL JUST FILL IN THE TIME BETWEEN POOS. THE ANGRY BIRDS OF CONSOLES.

★★★★★ Out April 27

3 OTHER GREAT SILENT THINGS



OLD-ASS COMEDIES

Black-and-white films running at like 10FPS that repeatedly involve people getting their feet stuck in buckets and the fronts of houses falling on them. Chaplin and Keaton rule.

THE BADDIES FROM THAT BUFFY EPISODE

The episode Hush featured The Gentlemen and their shut-up-ishness was so strong that the whole of Sunnydale was shut up by them. It won awards and shit.



PEOPLE WHEN THEY SHUT THE FUCK UP

Most people are just a lot more pleasant when not babbling about whatever useless crap is currently piddling away in their minds.



SURVIVAL HORROR

I AM ALIVE

XBLA/PSN

A SURVIVAL HORROR GAME, *I Am Alive* has you play an unnamed man trying to find his wife and child a year after 'the Event', an apocalyptic natural disaster. His home town, Haverton, has been demolished by the Event and overtaken by a toxic mist. Unlike *Silent Hill* your main worry is other humans who are determined to survive. With bullets, resources and even your own stamina in short supply, the game is very unforgiving - perhaps too much so. Facing down enemies by pulling an empty gun on them is a nice touch - especially

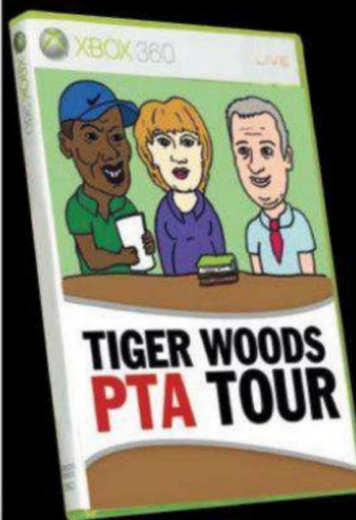


as if you try it on a crowd, they'll just tear you apart. Add in a pervasive claustrophobia, a cheap price and an unfair save system, and it's got the makings of a cult classic.

IN A NUTSHELL: IF YOU LIKED THE BLEAK WORLD OF 'THE ROAD' THEN YOU WILL LOVE THIS.

★★★★★ Out now

GAMES WE'D LIKE TO SEE



NO. 35: TIGER WOODS PTA TOUR

Our favourite sex addict swaps the US open for the mundane surroundings of a parent-teacher meeting. He inspires the kids to succeed like he has, provoking a spate of teen pregnancies.



FILM

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE

STARRING: THOR, IRON MAN, HAWKEYE, THE HULK, CAPTAIN AMERICA, BLACK WIDOW...

BACK IN OUR DAY, when some mega shitty shit went down all you had to do was get the Ghostbusters on the blower and boom, problem solved. Not anymore. These days, if you're well and truly dicked, there are spandex-strutting badasses to sort your shit out: The Avengers. Over the years, we've witnessed the origin stories of these supers and each time S.H.I.E.L.D front man Nick Fury (Samuel L. Jackson) has popped up, all one-eyed and mysterious, asking for each hero's help. He's not recruiting for a pub

quiz mega-team; there's more at stake here than the meat raffle. The Earth has come under attack by some proper angry bastards and Thor's ween-stain of a stepbrother Loki has decided he wants to enslave humanity because he has sand in his vagina. Don't kill yourself and your pets just yet, because Marvel's finest fighty folk will save the day.

IN A NUTSHELL:
MARVEL-OUS. GEDDIT?

★★★★★ Out 27 April

Q&A CHRIS EVANS, AKA CAPTAIN AMERICA

SUP CAP! SO YOU'RE IN A WHOLE NEW WORLD HERE. HOW DOES CAP RELATE TO IT?

He's adjusting, but a big part of Steve Rogers are his good nature, high morals and strong values. Those were created in a time when people treated each other differently. Everything feels one step apart with all of the tech we have now. Even if you ask a girl out on a date, you can virtually do it without ever saying a word! That's not the way it used to be in Steve's world. A lot of the things that he believed in, stood for and loved have changed. They're not gone; they're just different. He's trying to find his footing in a modern world.

SO LEVEL WITH US, IS CAPTAIN AMERICA THE LEADER OF THE AVENGERS?

The Avengers Assemble is about the formation of the group; I wouldn't ever say that I'm the leader. The movie is about trying to find our way as a team, we just happen to be superheroes.

CAP IS PRETTY RETRO. HOW OLDE WORLDE ARE YOU?

I grew up in the eighties, but I remember a time before cell phones, before the Internet... things are different now, so I'm like Steve Rogers. I've been through this.

FURTHER VIEWINGS

DVD GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATTOO

Starring: Daniel Craig, Rooney Mara
Out 23 April

SERIOUSLY, WHAT'S THIS?

Hack Mikael Blomkvist heads to a remote island to track down a lost girl. Together with his tough-as-shit hacker sidekick Lisbeth Salander the duo get balls deep into fucked-up goings-on.

ANY FUCKING GOOD THEN?

Everyone's favourite director David Fincher (Fight Club, Seven) brings some dark and dangerous goodness to a story that, on the surface, some might find pretty fucking

boring. Instead, we get a nail-biting mystery with one seriously fucked up bumming scene thrown into the mix. That woke us up, alright.

IN A NUTSHELL:
GRIMY REMAKE

★★★★★

DVD MISSION IMPOSSIBLE: GHOST PROTOCOL

Starring: Tom Cruise, Jeremy Renner,
Simon Pegg
Out 30 April

That Scientology-loving spy is at it again, jumping back into the hot seat for another round of shooting and wearing masks that look like dead realistic faces. This time Ethan Hunt and his team must save the world by going rogue. Show offs.

Jesus, the action in this one is more fast-paced than a cheetah on cocaine in some really decent running shoes. It just doesn't let up. From the dizzying heights of the building climbing scene to the sandstorm road chase – your nipples will be erect with adrenaline from start to finish. It's also much closer

to the original TV series than the earlier movies.

IN A NUTSHELL:
NOT TO MISS-ION

★★★★★

FLICKS DARK SHADOWS

Starring: Johnny Depp, Chloe Grace
Moretz, Michelle Pfeiffer
Out 11 May

A vampire movie less soul-destroying than shit stains on your pillow. Depp plays a old sucker dozing for 200 years. He awakens to find it's the '70s and his knobby kids have overrun his mansion.

BFF's Tim Burton and Johnny Depp may just be rehashing their trademark 'Look at us, we're quirkier than a guy with two hats on' spiel,

but hey, it works. Depp turns in one of his most likeable on-screen alter egos since that pirate guy he did a while back.

IN A NUTSHELL:
DOESN'T SUCK

★★★★★

DVD SHAME

Starring: Michael Fassbender,
Carey Mulligan
Out 14 May

A guy addicted to playing hide the salami gets a wake up call when his little sister comes to stay. Pretty soon he starts to see that his vagina-loving life might not be so cool after all...

Top Brit filmmaker Steve McQueen is back with more of the hard-hitting raw stuff as he takes us down the dark and dingy rabbit hole of sex addiction. If all you were

expecting was loads of sexy sex scenes, think again. This is relentless, endless, saddening sexy sex.

IN A NUTSHELL:
A-DICKED-DIV

★★★★★

SWERVE THIS

MADE IN CHELSEA SEASON 2

TV must not be well, look what it's just diarrhoead out. Thanks to these on-screen morons, phrases like 'Totes amaze' are now used by actual people. Get better soon, TV. You used to be fun.



MARDI GRAS: SPRING BREAK

When talent black hole Carmen Electra is your movie's star attraction you know what kind of ride you're in for: A dogshit one. This flick is filled with floozys and booze and just like an actual night out, it'll leave you feeling headachy and ashamed. Naa thanks.

SUBARU

BRZ £26K

ENGINE: 2-LITRE FLAT-FOUR | POWER: 197BHP | 0-62MPH: 6.7SEC | TOP SPEED: 143MPH

THESE DAYS CAR manufacturers are more interested in producing boring diesels than exciting stuff that'll make you giggle like a girl. But those cheeky chappies at Subaru have gone the other way. Thank baby Jeebers for that!

The BRZ might look like any other tidy sports car, but it's the way it drives that'll wet your wanger. All the power from the 2-litre engine goes to the rear wheels. That means it'll pull big skids. The men in beards have designed it with reduced grip levels so that you can get it on the limit on real roads, without doing daft speeds. To keep costs down the project was shared with Toyota, and their version is pretty ace too. It's like choosing between a jumbo sausage and a saveloy – they're the same, but one has more oomph. Hmm, is the chippy open yet?

IN A NUTSHELL:

HAVE YOU TRIED DOING IT FROM THE REAR? WE THINK YOU'LL LIKE IT, SIR!



BROOM
BROOM
BROOM I'M
A CAR



BENTLEY

EXP 9F - CONCEPT

ENGINE: TWIN-TURBO 6.0 W12 | POWER: 592BHP | TOP SPEED: 180MPH

BENTLEY HAS released this pic of their new SUV. And we have to say – it's shit. Over priced, ponced-up, ugly-ass shit. Like a dinner lady with a vajazzle. Bentleys are elegantly aggressive, like Prince Harry after a few shandies. But did we mention this looks shit? It's only a concept, but we expect these mingers to be snapped up by gangsters, footballers and anyone with more money than sense. Mind you it has a 600bhp W12 engine, so at least this shit'll be quick. Urgh.

IN A NUTSHELL:

PASS THE SICK BUCKET!

BENTLEY
DOES IT!



NEWS



TAXI!

An American has been nicked after he went back to the bank he tried to rob to pay his cab fare. The bank staff had ignored his threats to shoot them, and after running off to a cab he had to go back to get cash, where he was nicked. Fucktard!



BATTERED

A Chinese piss-head is in bother after attempting to drive home from the pub using the local train tracks. The sozzled fella thought it'd be the safest way home as the tracks went right by his house. Unfortunately, the car got wedged into them and he had to be rescued before a train hit him. Twat.

RETRO RIDE



NO. 26:

CITROËN AX GT

ENGINE: 1.4-LITRE | POWER: 100BHP | 0-62MPH: 9.2SEC | TOP SPEED: 118MPH | PRICE: FROM £900 (USED)

Now it may look a bit of a cack chariot but the AX is an epic little car. For starters it's got a small 1.4-litre engine, so it's cheap to run and insure. But cos it only weighs 720kg, it bloody flies! That means loads of fun for not much cash – sounds like our kind of car. There aren't many left in one piece, but if you find one, you won't regret it. Unless you crash it, cos they tend to fold in half.

SPENT ALL YOUR CASHISH ON CRISPS AND POP? HERE ARE THREE OTHER FUN REAR-DRIVERS FOR A LOT LESS...

BMW 328i

The old zimmer is getting on a bit now, but it still hits the spot. Plenty of poke from the straight-six engine and it all goes to the rear wheels for epic arse-out fun on roundabouts.

Thank you please!



VAUXHALL OMEGA

The rozzers' fave, the Omega is a right big bastard. But they're cheap as an afternoon in Wetherspoon's and rear-drive fun. Buy one. Have fun. Crash it. Buy another!

MAZDA MX-5

Yes, we've told you about these before. And yes they're girly. But, for the cash, there's nothing to beat them. Okay, chocolate-covered 34DDs would be more fun, but you can't drive them to the shops.



YAMAHA

AEROX WGP 50 – £2499

ENGINE: 2-STROKE | POWER: 28HP | TOP SPEED: 50MPH

THE LITTLE AEROX is a cracking little 50cc ride but the latest incarnation will make anyone into scoots do a pizzle in their Calvins. It gets the same gutsy 2-stroke engine as other Aeroxes, which means you can bomb around town like a wannabe Valentino Rossi. But cos it's a special Moto GP-inspired edition, you also get a wodge of extras, including sports seat, ace looking paint scheme, and a trick piggyback rear shock. If you're after a new scoot and you don't buy this, you're probably 'a man with a secret.' Just sayin'!

IN A NUTSHELL:

YAMAHA ALSO MAKE PIANOS. BUT THEY'RE NOT EASY TO RIDE TO THE SHOPS FOR TEN FAGS AND A COKE.



SCOOTER?
I ONLY
JUST MET
'ER!

World's
BIGGEST
CUNTS
THE
firm-but-fair
PAGE THAT SORTS THE RAGING ARSEHOLES
FROM THE MINOR WANKERS

CULKIN

Macaulay fucking Culkin is a slug-lipped, home alone cunt! First, how the fuck did he sack off Mila Kunis? Secondly, he was a little bastard in Home Alone, but no way could a kid outwit Joe Pesci – he was in Goodfellas and should shoot the shitty little cunt. Third, he could have been a half decent actor but he was too much of a soppo stoned knob. Fourth, again, how the fuck did he sack off Mila Kunis? Cunt.

Joe and Callum, via email

Whoa there, dudes. Big Mac (as the tabloids used to call him in the 1990s) might have pissed away a promising career, but in Home Alone 2 he saved Christmas for a bunch of orphans by making birds poo on Joe Pesci or something. Plus John Candy liked him, and John Candy was the bomb.

OLDFIELD

You know Trenton Oldfield, that bloke who swam out in front of the Cambridge and Oxford boat race? He's one enormous dickhead whose scumminess spans galaxies. He clearly is utterly clueless about those crews sacrificing their lives for one race – for months they only have time for eating, sleeping, studying and rowing. The two crews should have kept going and smashed his stupid cuntin' face in.

James, London

Oldfield's a cunt alright, a show-off who's not even good at swimming. Plus you can't claim to be protesting about elitism when you own a wetsuit. He's in there like swimwear.

NO

BT HOTSPOT CUNT

You know the creepy bastard in the BT Wi-Fi adverts who talks about finding a girl's hot-spot? Fuck me, that man's a disgusting sleazy cunt. What the fuck did they look for when casting? "We want an upsettingly fingery shitbag sex-murderer to be the face of our brand"? Wankers! I think the police could do with taking a look at what he's downloading with his Wi-Fi, the fuck-pest cunt.

Tim, Newcastle, via email

This slimy fuck is an insult to innocent people everywhere who just happen to know how wireless internet connections work. Odds are, the reason he likes stuff without wires so much is because if he's near wires people garrotte him with them, the fuckfaced bastard. In at one!

ROSS

There's a cunt who's been a slimy fanny for too long. Jonathan "I'm a floppy-haired, shit-suit-wearing, lispy, unfunny diseased snatch" Ross, that's who! I'd rather watch his shit brother Paul in panto for the next ten years than see his mug one more time!

Eddie from Sutton Coldfield, email

The thing with Jonathan Ross is, he's a 51-year-old who swears like a sailor, makes prank calls, wears ridiculous suits, writes great comics, owns the suit from Kill Bill and has a huge-breasted Hollywood screenwriter for a wife. There's a fine line between 'cunt' and 'what we want to be when we grow up'.

NO

YES

I'M A CUNT

THE CUNTDOWN

1 BT HOTSPOT CUNT

Weird-hairlined, laptop-molesting cunt.

2 ANDY PARSONS

Like-a-V-For-Vendetta-Easter-Egg cunt.

3 ALEX ZANE

Unusual-facial-haired dipshit cunt.

4 ONE DIRECTION

Ten-balled no-pubes penta-cunt.

5 RUSSELL KANE

Ayer's-Rock-haired hypercunt.

6 BONO

Over-half-a-century-of-cunt cunt.

7 EDWARD CULLEN

The-Hunger-Games-has-usurped-you cunt.

8 ROBERT PATTINSON

Bel-Ami-wasn't-very-good cunt.

9 TRENTON OLDFIELD

Posher-than-Oxbridge-rowers damp cunt.

10 NICOLAS SARKOZY

Fit-wifed pervy politician cunt.

SARKOZY

Nicholas Sarkozy is not only a cock, but he also has a hotter bird than me. Cunt.

Richard de l'Ipee, frontarmy.com forums

Sarkozy is a cock who also happens to be immune from prosecution and controls his country's media. He's done well with Carla Bruni though, good on him there. What a cunt.

YES

WHO'S MISSING?

Give us a cunt! Who niles you to the point of frantic violence? Put your anger into words and let FRONT spread your spite across the land. Let us know: **TXT 07741 764 656** **front@frontarmy.co.uk**



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